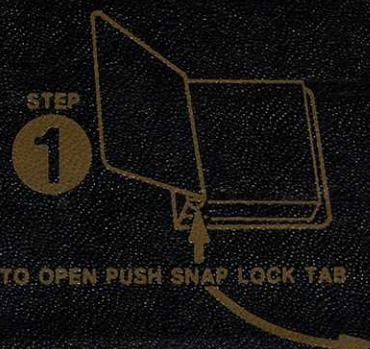




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Board of Selectmen  
Chelmsford

Gentlemen:

By the consent of the present Historical Commission of Chelmsford I appear before you this evening to make a long overdue report of a project undertaken by the original Commission of which I had the honor of chairing.

The project was relative to old records and streets in Chelmsford.

Before the Commission could initiate an inventory of historical landmarks it was deemed necessary to ascertain layouts of roadways leading to them. We found that since 1655 road locations and street names have often changed. One of our sources was the so-called "Read Book" hand written by the Town Clerk's from about 1900 - 1920 and still kept among the Town Clerk's records. We found the book deteriorating from usage by lawyers, surveyors etc. besides town officials.

The record will show that by proper procedure and town appropriations a typewritten copy of this Read Book was made under my supervision. Each road and street received a single page with index and cross index covering street names...example North Road and Center Street...same location.

From the original typewritten copy six or seven-ether other copies were made on the Town Clerk's (Mrs DeWulf) copying machine...the Commission supplying the paper and typist. Unfortunately these copies, in sequence of volumes, due to poor ink and age of the "wet" machine produced copies which dimmed but are still legible. The first three copies are quite good for future copying.

I request that our original plan of distribution be officially authorized by your Board, namely:

The original typewritten copy to the Historical Commission

Copy 1. Town Clerk's office..to be kept accessible to the Town Clerk and the old Read Book be retired to the vault.

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Your Board may prefer substituting a Dept. or Board which in your opinion had more use for the material.

I will be glad to make the distributions at your request.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. E. Newcomb Mills



"This book contains all the roads found on record in  
all the books in the office excepting Book A and is  
a transcript from the old records as far as page 53,  
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by Eli F. Webster, Town Clerk"



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Cross Street - named 3/28/1904	268	306



<u>ROAD</u>	<u>Handwritten Book</u>	<u>Typed Page</u>
Dalton Road - named 3/28/1904	264	303
William Dane's Road - 11/13/1834	80	127
Dartmouth Street - 3/8/1893	188	235
Drum Hill Road - 6/14/1831	77	123-124
Dunstable Road - named 3/28/1904	268	306
Straightening Road near Edmonds 10/2/1854	137	185
Edwards Place - named 3/28/1904	267	306
Evergreen Street - 3/12/1902	252	289-290
Evergreen Street - named 3/28/1904	265	304
Road at East Chelmsford - 6/14/1864	159-160	209-210
Widening of East Chelmsford Road (Riverneck) 8/26/1899	230-232	271-272
First Street - 3/16/1898	222	265
Fletcher Street - named 3/28/1904	263	303
J. M. Fletcher Road - 3/8/1894	194	240
Levi Fletcher Road - 10/17/1860	148-151	197-200
"Frank Foster Road" - 11/27/1855	142-145	191-194
Gay Street - named 3/28/1904	268	306
Golden Cove Road - named 3/28/1904	265	304
Highway at East Chelmsford Relocated (Gorham St.) 12/30/1893	189-194	236-239
Gorham Street - named 3/28/1904	266	305
Groton Road - 11/4/1828	66-71	109-116
Groton Road at North Village Relocated 11/14/1898	223-229	266-270
Groton Road - named 3/28/1904	267	306
Grove Street - named 3/28/1904	266	305
High Street (Center) Named 3/28/1904	264	304
High Street (West) Named 3/28/1904	267	306
Highland Avenue, Town Way at No. Chelmsford 9/2/1899	234-235	274-275
Extension of streets on "Homestead" land 3/16/1898	222	265
"Homestead" First, Second, Third - named 3/28/1904	264	304
Oliver Hutchins Road 3/22/1831	78	125
Jordan Street - 3/3/1885	179	228
Juniper Street 3/14/1906	272	312
Kidder Road 3/3/1837	87	134
Road from Meeting House in Littleton to Chelmsford 6/5/1848	120-125	168-173
Alteration to Littleton Road 4/27/1876	172-175	222-224
Littleton Road - named 3/28/1904	263	303
Locust Road - named 3/28/1904	266	305
Lowell Road - named 3/28/1904	265	304
Lowell Road - 9/6/1827	63- 65	106-108



<u>ROAD</u>	<u>Handwritten Book</u>	<u>Typed Page</u>
Part of Lowell Road Relocated 4/18/1903	259-262	300-302
Lowell Road from Golden Cove to Canal Bridge 9/15/1829	99-101	146-149
Widening Road in Center of Town from Parkhurst's Store to Lowell Road 10/15/1868	164	214
Main Street 3/13/1901	242-245	281-283
Main Street - named 3/28/1904	267	305
Manning Place - named 3/28/1904	266	305
Mansur Street 3/11/1903	257	298
Mansur Street - named 3/28/1904	268	307
Mansur's Road 3/19/1822	48-49	89
Maple Road - named 3/28/1904	265	305
Town Way near House of Eben H. Marshall 2/28/1876	171	221
Marshall Street - named 3/28/1904	266	305
Middlesex Street - named 3/28/1904	267	306
Road to School House in Middlesex Village 10/10/1868	162	212
Old Middlesex Turnpike made into Free Road 1/26/1846	112	160
Road from Middlesex Turnpike to Westford Road 9/9/1897	214-220	259-263
Mill Road - named 3/28/1904	264	304
Mill Street - named 3/28/1904	267	306
Mount Pleasant Street - named 3/28/1904	268	307
Newfield Street - named 3/23/1904	267	306
Bound of Road Near North Chelmsford Meeting House 11/12/1849	128	176
Road at North Chelmsford Village to Stony Brook Railroad 10/22/1863	157	207
Town Way at North Chelmsford 3/1/1898	221	264
Town Way at North Chelmsford (Dartmouth St.) 3/8/1893	188	235
Town Way at North Chelmsford near Town Hall 4/26/1871	167	217
Alteration of Main Highway at North Chelmsford 7/22/1892	181-186	230-233
State Highway Near North Chelmsford 3/26/1895	204-209	249-253
Road from Old Turnpike to Road from North Chelmsford to Lowell 6/30/1849	126	174
North Road (Center Street)	263	303
Osgood Road 11/13/1835	82-86	129-133
Highway from Osgood Road to Middlesex Village 1/3/1843	102-107	150-155
Park Road - named 3/28/1904	266	305
Widening Road Near S. G. Parker's 3/24/1859	146-147	195-196
Joel Parkhurst's Road 3/23/1839	92	140
Parkhurst Road - named 3/28/1904	265	304
David Perham's Road 10/13/1833	79	126
Pine Hill Road 4/18/1836	81	128
Princeton Street - named 3/28/1904	268	306
Proctor Road - named 3/28/1904	266	305



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Putnam Avenue - named 3/28/1904	264	304
Putnam Avenue Extension 3/16/1898	222	265
Town Way Near H. E. Putnam 3/25/1872	170	220
Town Way at Center Near Israel Putnam 3/10/1887	180	229
Railroad Crossings 9/6/1847	115 - 119	163 - 165
Relocation of RR Crossing at Center 10/18/1905	269 - 271	308 - 310
Redshire Road - named 3/28/1904	265	304
Richardson's Road 10/30/1838	88	135
Richardson Road named 3/28/1904	267	306
Old Turnpike to F. Richardson's New House 10/2/1845	108	156
Road from Ridge Hill to C. S. Fuller's House 10/10/1868	163	213
Ripley Street - named 3/28/1904	268	307
Ripley Street 3/12/1902	256	296
"River Road" (Tyngsboro Road) 8/14/1897	212 - 213	257 - 258
Riverneck Road 8/26/1899	230 - 232	271 - 272
Riverneck Road - named 3/28/1904 (Center Section)	265	304
Riverneck Road - named 3/28/1904 (East Section)	266	305
Road North Side of Robin's Hill 3/5/1884	178	227
Robin's Hill Road - named 3/28/1904	264	304
Alteration & Widening Road Passing Russell's Mill 4/2/1855	138 - 139	186 - 187
Road from Bedford Road to Russell's Mill 6/14/1865	158	208
Private Way, West Chelmsford, to Edmund Schofield 2/12/1856	140	189
School Street - named 3/28/1904	267	306
Extension of Second Street 3/16/1898	222	265
Sherman Street 3/11/1903	258	299
Road From County Road to Silver Street 3/23/1852	133	181
Smith Street 3/10/1900	239 - 241	279 - 280
Alteration & Widening Road near Charles Swett's at North Chelmsford 3/28/1850	132	180
Road from Isaiah Spalding's 6/25/1838	89 - 92	136 - 139
Deacon Noah Spalding's Road 4/9/1839	94 - 96	141 - 143
(Steadman Street 3/10/1900)	236 - 238	276 - 278
Town Way from Stedman Street Southerly 3/10/1900	236 - 238	276 - 278
Town Way from Stedman Street Westerly 3/10/1900	239 - 241	279 - 280
Road from Charles Swett's to County Road 3/22/1849	119	167
Tadmuck Road - named 3/28/1904	265	305
Extension of Third Street 3/16/1898	222	265
Torrey Road at North Chelmsford 4/2/1846	111	159
Turnpike Road - named 3/28/1904	265	304
Tyngsboro Road 8/14/1897	212	257 - 258



<u>ROAD</u>	<u>Handwritten Book</u>	<u>Typed Page</u>
Warren Avenue - named 3/28/1904	264	304
Warren Avenue Extension 3/10/1882	176	225
Warren Avenue Extension 3/16/1898	222	265
Washington Street, North Village 2/29/1896	210	255
Washington Street - named 3/28/1904	267	306
Continuation of Washington Street 3/12/1902	256	295
Wentworth Road at North Chelmsford 4/22/1846	110	158
Westford Road 1/8/1730	3	9 - 10
Westford Road - named 3/28/1904	263	303
Road at West Chelmsford 11/29/1871	168 - 169	218 - 219
Town Way at West Chelmsford (Jordan St) 3/3/1885	179	228
Relocation of Road at West Chelmsford 3/13/1901	242 - 245	281 - 283
Widening Road at West Chelmsford 9/27/1894	201 - 203	246 - 248
Whitney's Road 3/14/1817	48	88
Wildwood Street 3/14/1906	272	311
Road at Centre Village near M. C. Wilson's 3/5/1884	177	226
Wilson Street - named 3/28/1904	265	304
Road to George S. Wood's Mills 10/19/1852	134	182
Relaying of Road to George S. Wood's Mills 11/29/1852	135	183
Wood Street - named 3/28/1904	268	306
Road to Worsted Factory 2/18/1846	109	157
Re-Establishing Road to Worsted Factory 5/20/1868	161	211
Worthen Street - named 3/28/1904	264	303
Wright Street - named 3/28/1904	268	306
York Avenue 3/12/1902	255	294



Chelmsford, Jan. 23, 1721/2

There is a highway laid out from Groton road, three rods wide and meeteth with the highway that was laid from the Causeway to Littleton and is bounded by marked trees on each side and by rocks and heaps of stones on them and marked trees to Groton road.

Allowed and approved as witness in the name of the Selectmen,  
Benj<sup>m</sup> Adams

Committee: Ephraim Hildreth  
Ebenson Wright

Entered March 7th, 1721/2 by Benj<sup>m</sup> Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book page 1)



Chelmsford, Feby 6th, 1720/21

We the subscribers being appointed by the Selectmen of said Town to lay out a Highway from the corner of Jacob Warren's fence to Stony Brook road near the dwelling house of Benjamin Butterfield, deceased, did on the fourth of November, 1719, lay out said highway three rods wide which highway runs through the land of Thomas and Pelatiah Adams sixty four rods and no recompense having as yet been made unto said Thomas & Pelatiah Adams, Now therefore at the request of said Thos. & Pelatiah Adams for full satisfaction for said Highway going through their land, we do lay out unto the said Thomas and Pelatiah Adams three acres of land be the same more or less and lies in three several parcels\*.

Committee: Jonathan Richardson  
Benj'm Adams

Recorded Feby 9th 1720/21 by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

\* For description of land see Book C, page 32.

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Chelmsford, May 17, 1722

We the subscribers laid out the highway hereafter mentioned:

A highway of three rods wide beginning partly south of Capt. Richardson's house on the south side of Dunstable road, by a marked pine; from thence by marked trees to Newfield Pond which John Richardson drained, and on the flats around the pond partly north and west and then turning up the rising ground in the most convenient way to John Richardson's fence and by said fence and marked trees to Capt. (Jonathan) Richardson's stone wall at the bars; then turning westward through the land of Capt. Bower's about 60 rods and from thence to flushing path coming in by the land of John Richardson and Jonathan Butterfield, bounded by marked trees on the southerly side of said way.

Selectmen: Benjamin Adams  
John Richardson  
John Cummings

Entered May 18th, 1722, by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book page 2 & 3)



Chelmsford, May 17, 1722

We the subscribers laid out the highway hereafter mentioned:

A highway three rods wide beginning at the dwelling house of Ensign Joseph Keyes to and over the meadows of William Langley and John Stevens, bounded by marked trees on the southerly side of said way; then turning by Keyes' pond from thence by the land of Josiah Birge and between the land of John Cummings upon a brow; thence by marked trees on the westerly side to the above said causeway, three rods wide.

Selectmen: Benjamin Adams  
John Richardson  
John Cummings

Entered May 18th, 1722, by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 2 & 3)



Chelmsford, May 17, 1722

We the subscribers laid out the highway hereafter mentioned:

On the day above said we laid out a highway of three rods wide. Beginning at Groton road near the sawmill and over Stony Brook below the sawmill through the land of John Cummings and several others which were owners of the sawmill about 60 poles - then by the land of John Cummings, William Langley, Ensign Keyes and Josiah Birge by marked trees on the southerly side to the highway from the old sawmill to the above said causeway.

Selectmen: Benjamin Adams  
John Richardson  
John Cummings

Entered May 18th, 1722, by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 2 & 3)



Chelmsford, May 17, 1722

We the subscribers laid out the highway hereafter mentioned:

On the day above said we laid out a highway issuing out of the first above mentioned highway (see page 4) on the westerly side of Newfield Pond convenient for sundry lots - three rods wide, as far as the lot of Jonathan Butterfield, bounded by marked trees on the south side of said way.

Selectmen: Benjamin Adams  
John Richardson  
John Cummings

Entered May 18th, 1722, by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 2 & 3)



Chelmsford, May 17, 1722

We the subscribers laid out the highway hereafter mentioned:

On the day above said we laid out a highway issuing out of the southerly side of the first above mentioned road (see page 4) near to a swamp called Butterfield's Mill-stone Hill Swamp to the Richardson's Sawmill meadow. Three rods wide. Bounded by marked trees on the southerly side of said highway.

Selectmen: Benjamin Adams  
John Richardson  
John Cummings

Entered May 18th, 1722, by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 2 & 3)



A highway was laid out by the subscribers from the (center) of Town to Groton Road by Capt. Jonas Prescott's field which Highway begins by the corner of Lieut. William Fletcher's pasture wall and near the Cider Mill to John Bates, Jr., and to be three rods wide from said wall until it comes to the wall of John Bates, Sr., and then bounded along northerly by said Bates' wall to Benoni Perham's bounds; then by said Perham's bound to a red oak standing east of his corn house. Thence straight to the corner of said Perham's wall, thence the most convenient way up the hill to a pine tree, marked, and from thence by marked trees to a white oak tree at the southeasterly corner of John Bates, Jr., pasture wall, thence bounded by marked trees standing on the northerly side of said way until it comes to Andrew Spaulding's fence, then by the fence until it comes to a turn, and thence to a great black oak tree, and so by marked trees until it comes to Henry Spaulding's house, and from thence the way is bounded on the southerly side partly by the land of Andrew Spaulding and partly by the land of Richard Stevens until it comes to a black oak tree on the northerly side of said way. And from thence bounded along by marked trees on the northerly side of said way over Frances Hill until it comes to Joseph Keyes' pasture fence; from thence bounded by the fence of the said Keyes on the north side of the road to Jacob Butterfield's land, and thence between the land of Jacob Butterfield and the land of Thomas Read bounded by marked trees on the north side of the land of Thomas Read and Jonas Fletcher, Joseph Fletcher, Timothy Spaulding and John Cummings, and from thence by marked trees on the most northerly side until it comes to Groton road by Capt. Jonas Prescott's field. And the said highway was laid out through a piece of Joshua Fletcher's land which lieth on the most westerly



side of Boutall's Brook which we valued at ten shillings, and the said highway is laid out three rods wide in every part.

Committee  
of  
Selectmen

Benjamin Adams  
Edward Spaulding  
John Cummings

Entered September 10, 1722, by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 3 & 4 )



Chelmsford December 26th, 1722

The following highway was laid out by the subscribers:

A highway beginning at the south side of Hart Pond Brook by Gersham Proctor's fence and running as the path now is to Tadmuck road and to be three rods wide, bounded by two black oaks by the brook on the westerly side and near Tadmuck Road by white oaks on the easterly side.

Benjamin Adams  
Ephraim Hildreth  
Edward Spaulding - Selectmen

Entered Feb. 19, 1722/3 by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 4 & 5)



Chelmsford December 26, 1722

A highway beginning on the Pond plain to the west of Aaron Parker's old house and runs to John Foster's field and from thence as the path now runs to Aaron Parker's land that he purchased of Isaac Barron, bounded by marked trees on the most westerly side of said way; and is laid out three rods wide.

Benjamin Adams  
Ephraim Hildreth  
Edward Spaulding - Selectmen

Entered Feb. 19th, 1722/3 by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 4 & 5)



Chelmsford December 26, 1722

A highway issuing out of the road that goes to Peter Proctor's and running on the northerly side of Aaron Parker's meadow and before said Parker's house and thence to Groton road by the land of Samuel Chamberlain. Bounded by marked trees on the northerly side of said highway and is laid out three rods wide.

Benjamin Adams  
Ephraim Hildreth  
Edward Spaulding - Selectmen

Entered Feb. 19th, 1722/3 by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 4 & 5)



Chelmsford, December 26, 1722

A highway through Samuel Proctor's land which he bought of Sparks, two rods wide as the path now runs towards James Bourn's field, and from thence to said Bourn's wall and by marked trees by said Bourn's wall to John Read's land on Spark's hill, said road is laid on the southerly side of the marked trees; and through Samuel Proctor's land on the westerly side of the marked trees, and the land taken up for said road we valued at ten shillings.

Benjamin Adams  
Ephraim Hildreth  
Edward Spaulding - Selectmen

Entered Feb. 19, 1722/3 by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 4 & 5)



Highway laid out by us the subscribers.

A highway beginning at a white oak marked, standing at the southeasterly corner of Thomas Read's orchard fence and thence running northerly to a white oak at the end of said Read's stone wall and bounded by said Read's wall or the path as it now goes to Samuel Fletcher's land, and then turns by the dividing line between said Fletcher's land and land of Thomas Read and runs through said Fletcher's land about  $73\frac{1}{2}$  rods to Stony Brook - and bounded by the brook by a maple tree on the westerly side and running over the brook and on the northerly side of said brook about 14 rods through said Fletcher's land - said road is bounded on the westerly side by said Fletcher's fence to the brook - and on the northerly side of said brook by marked trees on the most southerly side of said way until it comes to a pine tree which is Samuel Fletcher's corner, and from thence straight to a heap of stones by Jonathan Fletcher's land and as the path now goes from the said pine tree to the meadow of Jonathan Fletcher and Samuel Fletcher, Sr.; and then a Bridle way two rods wide through Samuel Fletcher's meadow and thence the most convenient way to the meadow of Thomas Read, Joseph Fletcher and Jonas Fletcher; and so through the Fletchers' meadow - said way is laid three rods wide from Thomas Read's corner aforementioned till it comes to Samuel Fletcher's meadow and then but two rods wide - all bounded by marked trees on the most westerly side.

Benjamin Adams  
Edward Spaulding  
John Cummings - Selectmen

Entered Feb. 19, 1722/3 by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 5 & 6)



A highway laid out by us the subscribers.

A highway beginning at Joseph Keyes' field and running as the path now goes to Stony Brook and over said Brook, and then running towards Nathaniel Langley's house within about four rods of the southeasterly side of said house, and from said house to the road leading to Long-Sought-For Pond; bounded on the most southerly and westerly side by marked trees and is two rods wide.

Benjamin Adams  
Edward Spaulding  
John Cummings - Selectmen

Entered Feb. 19, 1722/3 by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 5 & 6)



Chelmsford, May 6th, 1723

A highway was laid out by the subscribers from Jonathan Hartwell's  
westerly to Littleton highway - and is bounded by marked trees and heaps  
of stones on each side.

Jonathan Richardson  
William Fletcher  
Joshua Fletcher - Selectmen

Entered Dec. 16, 1723, by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

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Chelmsford, May 6th, 1723

A highway laid out from said Highway northerly to the Highway that was formerly laid out from Crouch's meadow to Littleton and is bounded by heaps of stones on both sides and is three rods wide.

Jonathan Richardson  
William Fletcher  
Joshua Fletcher - Selectmen

Entered Dec. 16, 1723, by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book page 6)



Chelmsford, May 6, 1723

A highway laid out on the day above said from Groton road to the highway that goes from Stony Brook to Groton Mills, and is three rods wide beginning at a black oak standing on the north side of Groton road by a spruce swamp called the Hop-yard which oak is the bound of Joshua Fletcher's land and running southeasterly by said Fletcher land to land of James Hildreth, thence east by said Hildreth's land to the road that goes from Stony Brook to Groton Mill.

Jonathan Richardson  
William Fletcher  
Joshua Fletcher - Selectmen

Entered Dec. 16, 1723, by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book page 6)



Chelmsford, Jan. 8, 1730/1

A Highway laid out by the request, and for the convenience of Jonathan Barrett, Jr., Ezekiel Keyes, Ephraim Barrett and Benjamin Barrett to their several lots near Virginia Meadow.

Beginning at a highway formerly laid to the dwelling house of George Robbins, deceased, a few rods from a black oak tree, marked, and running from thence to a white oak tree being one of the ancient bounds of John Robbin's land; Thence to an old pine stump with stones about it - Thence southerly across great brook to a white oak; thence to a white oak; thence to a black oak; thence turning southwesterly to a white oak near Ezekiel Keyes' land, the trees being marked both running and facing. The said way is laid on the most easterly side of the marked trees from the old road to George Robbin's aforesaid until it comes to the last mentioned black oak and thence the said way lies on the southerly side of the marked trees to the last mentioned white oak. The said way is laid two rods wide and is allowed by the Town at a Publick Town meeting.

Benjamin Adams  
William Fletcher - Selectmen

Entered March 15, 1731/2 by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book page 7)



A Way reviewed and bounded out by the Selectmen June 14, 1731.

Beginning at a great rock which is the southeasterly bound of the Ministry and running westerly by said Ministry land to a heap of stones - and running still westerly by said Ministry to a rock and heap of stones on it and running still westerly by said ministry land to a black oak tree and heap of stones about it. The said road is laid out on the south side of the aforesaid bounds. The above said way to be four rods wide.

When leaving the Ministry the said way extends northwesterly to a rock and heap of stones on it and running still northwesterly to a walnut tree, marked, and stones about it - and going still northwesterly to a heap of stones and still northwesterly to a heap of stones by Ephraim Blood's land. The said way is on the south and southeasterly side of said bounds throughout and to be four rods wide. It is further agreed by the Selectmen that the said way shall extend from the Great Rock aforesaid northeasterly to the road by the Training field.

Allowed by the Town.

Recorded March 15th, 1731/2 by Benjamin Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 7 & 8)



A way reviewed and bounded out by the Selectmen Jan. 29th, 1735/6.

Beginning at a white oak standing by the road that goes from Chelmsford to Westford, and running southwardly by marked trees and near Ebenezer Harris' house and still southerly by marked trees and a rock and heap of stones to a small black oak being Pelatiah Adams' bound. From thence running still southerly by marked trees to a heap of stones to a white oak being said Pelatiah Adams' bound - from thence southwardly to a white oak being Benjamin Heywood's bound, and running still southwardly to a white oak being Isaac Hildreth's bound. From thence southerly by marked trees to a walnut tree. Thence still southerly by Timothy Adams' wall and still southerly to a heap of stones by the road that goes by Isaac Hildreth. The said way is laid out two rods wide throughout and lies on the easterly side of the aforesaid bounds - provided there be two rods in bredth betwixt said Timothy Adams' wall and said Hildreth's land.

William Fletcher	
Edward Spaulding	
Edward Foster	Selectmen

Entered March 4, 1735/6 per Edward Foster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 8)



A way viewed and bounded or marked out by the Selectmen:

Beginning at Billerica line near the house of Jonathan Kemp, bounded firstly on a small black oak and thence running northwesterly by marked trees on the most northerly side to a pine bush marked by Jonathan Spaulding's fence. From thence running westerly by the fence of the said Spaulding as the path now goes to a road formerly laid out to Mr. Fisks' meadow before said Spaulding's house, and continuing on said road till it comes to the northwesterly corner of Jonathan Swallow's fence. Thence turning and running westerly by marked trees to the highway that goes by said Jonathan Swallow's house. Said way is to be two rods wide.

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Benjamin Adams  
Jonathon Minott  
Edward Foster      - Selectmen

The above was read and accepted by the Town and entered March 9, 1736/7 by Edward Foster, Town Clerk.

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- \* On the day aforesaid Josiah Kemp being present with the Selectmen when viewing said road did give his land for the said way so far and wide as the Selectmen have described through said Kemp's land.



Chelmsford, February 23, 1735/6

The Selectmen then proceeded and viewed and bounded a way as hereafter described.

Beginning at the corner of the fence of Samuel Proctor, Jr., said corner of fence being on the southerly side of said way. From thence the bounds are on the northerly side of said way and running by a stone wall of Daniel Proctor to a red oak tree; thence westerly to a heap of stones, thence still westerly by marked trees to a walnut tree, thence running westerly and north-westerly by Peter Proctor's wall to the Town road that goes by said Peter Proctor's house. The said way to be two rods wide.

Benjamin Adams  
Jonathan Minott  
Edward Foster      - Selectmen

The above was read and accepted by the Town and entered 3/9/1736/7, by Edward Foster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 9)



A way viewed and bounded out by the Selectmen on the 20th day of February, 1737/8. Beginning at a Great Rock in or near the land of Edward Foster and a pine tree standing on said rock near the path that goes through Concord River Neck and running southerly to a white oak tree marked - thence to a white oak tree marked - thence to a rock with stones on it about 30 rods through Ebeneser Foster's land. From thence through Ebeneser Parker's land about 10 rods to a white oak tree marked, standing on Oliver Pierce's land. From thence to a white oak marked - thence to a white oak marked - thence to a pine tree marked - thence to a rock with stones on it. From thence to a pine tree marked, thence to a white oak marked, thence to a pine tree. From thence to a small pine tree marked on ridge hill. From thence northwesterly to a white oak tree marked, to meet with a highway formerly laid out from the County road on the east of Poorman's Bridge which extendeth over Black Brook into the woods. The said way is three rods wide and on the northerly side of said trees and rock from the first mentioned bound / that is to say / the Great Rock and pine tree marked till it meets with the aforementioned road.

Benjamin Adams  
Joseph Parker  
Edward Foster      - Selectmen

This report was accepted by the town 3/7/1737/8. A true copy entered by Edward Foster, Town Clerk.



A way viewed and bounded out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford the 2nd day of March, 1737/8.

From Hunt's Ferry (so-called) running westwardly through the neck field by Shipley's bars, so called, and thence on an ancient cart path westerly to Dracut road, by or near the dwelling house of Jonathan Bowers - to answer for/ or in lieu of/ a highway laid out from Andover through Tewksbury to the aforesaid Hunt's Ferry - said road to be  $2\frac{1}{2}$  rods wide and bounded as follows: Beginning two rods and a half northward of a black birch tree marked, standing on the bank of Concord River by said Ferry; thence running to the brow of the hill  $2\frac{1}{2}$  rods to the northward of a black oak marked, thence across said Hunt's land about 30 rods; thence bounded on the northerly side by the following bounds; to a black oak marked; thence to a rock and heap of stones; thence bounded by said Hunt's land to a walnut tree marked; thence to a white oak marked; thence to a white oak; thence to a white oak marked; thence across Speen's brook in Jonathan Bower's meadow; thence to a walnut tree marked by a flat rock; thence to a black oak; thence to a black oak marked; thence to a white oak marked; thence to a black oak marked; thence to a white oak marked at Shipley's bars aforesaid; thence running by the ancient cart path in aforesaid to Dracut road at the place above mentioned. The chief of said way having been formerly improved for a highway as occasion required allowing gates.

Edward Foster  
Joseph Parker  
Jonathan Minott - Selectmen of Chelmsford

This above written report was accepted and allowed by the Town March 7, 1737/8.  
A True Copy entered by Edward Foster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 10-11)



Chelmsford, March 2, 1737/8

Also a way viewed and bounded out by the Selectmen on the day aforesaid.

Beginning at the Neck-Gate near Robert Pierce's, thence running as the way now goes to Pentuckett Falls being the way now used and formerly laid out by the proprietors of said Neck-field.

Edward Foster  
Joseph Parker  
Jonathan Minott - Selectmen

This above written report was accepted and allowed by the Town 3/7/1737/8.

A True Copy entered by Edward Foster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 10-11)



Chelmsford, Feb. 20th, 1738/9

A Highway altered and laid out by the Selectmen. Beginning on the easterly side of a brook called "Little Brook" at a heap of stones, thence running southeasterly on the brow of the hill. To be four rods wide. To a pine tree, marked; then running easterly, and to be three rods wide. To a pine tree marked; thence to the end of Deacon Adam's now standing wall. The said way is laid out on the most northerly side of said bounds. And the said way being on the said Jonas Adams' land and the ancient way which is laid down. Jonas Adams is to have recompense for the aforesaid new way.

The above report of the Selectmen was read and accepted by the Town of Chelmsford at a general Town Meeting March 12th, 1739.

Benjamin Adams  
Edward Foster  
Benjamin Chamberlain - Selectmen

Recorded by Jonathan Barron, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 11-12)



Chelmsford, Feb. 20th, 1739

A highway viewed and laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford for Jonathan Barrett and John Barrett and Job Spaulding. From the corner of the wall as the highway goes from Thomas Spaulding's to John Barrett's running southwardly over the Great Brook against Job Spaulding's dwelling house, as wide as is left between two stone walls - thence running southwardly on the west side of said Job Spaulding's stone wall to Billerica line, one rod and a half wide. The owners of the land giving said land for said way.

Jonathan Barron  
Edward Spaulding  
Richard Hildreth - Selectmen

Chelmsford, March 10, 1740/1. Entered on the Town Book by order of the Selectmen, Jonathan Barron, Town Clerk

(Original book page 12).



A highway laid out by us the subscribers at the request of Oliver Pierce in Concord River Neck, said way being bounded on - or beginning at - a rock and a heap of stones on it which is the bound of another highway, easterly from said Oliver Pierce's house/ and running southerly to a white oak - still southerly to another white oak and still southerly to a pine tree and still southerly to a white oak, and still southerly to a pine tree; then southwesterly to a white oak, and still southwesterly to a pine tree, then westerly to a pine tree and still westerly to a black oak tree by the highway from Black Brook. The said Highway is laid three rods wide on the northerly, north-westerly and westerly side of the line of trees which are all marked; the said way being in exchange for part of the highway that was laid out from Black Brook to Concord River neck and runs through the land of Capt. Ebenezer Parker, Samuel Parker and Oliver Pierce. All parties giving their land for said way.

Ephraim Spaulding  
Samuel Chamberlain  
John Spaulding - Selectmen

Recorded May 22, 1745, by Ephraim Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 12-13)



Chelmsford, Mass. Feb. 14, 1744/5

Another highway laid out the day aforesaid at the request of Ebenezer Parker and Lieut. Jonathan Barron, the same being a bridle way. Beginning at a stake and heap of stone by the Millroad (so called), said bound standing at a pair of bars that open into the general field between Capt. Parker's and Joseph Warren's - and running easterly through said general field on the northerly side of a line of stakes and stones to the land of Lieut. Jonathan Barron near River Meadow to a poplar tree marked - and the northerly bound by said Barron's land is a black oak tree marked. Said way is 26 feet wide. All parties concerned being satisfied, gave their lands.

Ephraim Spaulding  
Samuel Chamberlain  
John Spaulding - Selectmen

Recorded May 22, 1745, by Ephraim Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 12-13)



Chelmsford, Feb. 6, 1746/7

A Bridle way laid out by us the subscribers in the land of Andrew Fletcher upon the request of Capt. Zachariah Richardson, Lieut. John Spaulding and Cort. Daniel Blodgett.

Beginning at the highway that leaves from Col. Clark's Ferry to Hunt's Ferry, so-called, and is bounded by a black oak stump with a heap of stones about it, and running northerly to a black oak tree marked; and still northerly by a hemlock tree, marked, standing on a rock; so continuing to Merrimak River - at the Boganegans so-called - Said way to be two rods wide on the westerly side of said marks; thence said way runs westerly bounding on said River till it comes against a Black Birch tree, marked, standing by said River; thence running southerly by said river to a white oak tree marked - thence turning and running easterly by a small black oak tree marked till it comes to a black birch tree, marked, standing by a great rock and is within the said way - and thence to be two rods wide as aforesaid to the first mentioned highway.

Ephraim Spaulding  
Daniel Proctor  
Jonathan Proctor, Selectmen

Recorded March 7, 1746, by Ephram Spaulding, Town Clerk

(original book pages 13-14)



Chelmsford, Nov. 20, 1749

A highway viewed and bounded out by us the subscribers taking a part of the highway that was discontinued at the last Town Meeting, held on the 6th day of November, 1749 -- being the southerly part of said way till it comes to a black oak tree marked and a heap of stones being Samuel Adams bounds by said highway, and running northerly to a small black oak tree, and still northerly to a small chestnut tree and still northerly to a walnut tree and northerly to a white oak tree and still northerly to a rock and heap of stones on it by the county road that leads from Chelmsford to Westford. The said trees are marked running and facing said way and the way is to be two rods wide on the easterly side of said marks; and is partly in the land of Col. Sampson Stoddard and partly in the land of Capt. Thomas Read. Thereon the northerly side of said county road beginning at a rock and heap of stones by said county road and running northerly to a small white oak tree - still northerly to a walnut tree by said Col. Stoddard's wall and northerly by said wall to a black oak tree standing in the wall - then northeasterly by said Stoddards' land to a white oak tree by the highway to Stony Brook, it being Henry Spaulding's corner bound - said trees are marked running and facing said way and the highway is to be two rods wide on the westerly side of said marks and in the land of Henry Spaulding.

Ephraim Spaulding  
Daniel Proctor  
Henry Spaulding - Selectmen

A True Copy of the Selectmen's Report Recorded March 6, 1749/50 by  
Ephraim Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book page 14)



Chelmsford, Jan. 31, 1751/2

A highway laid out through Concord River Neck by us the subscribers, at the request of several of the inhabitants of said Town. The said way beginning at the Proprietors road near Zebediah Keyes' dwelling house by a great rock and a heap of stones on it - thence running southwesterly across the bridge about 14 rods on Joseph Moores' land to an oak tree marked; thence southeasterly on said Moores' land about 30 rods to a Proprietors highway, there on said highway to William Bowers' land and a pine tree marked; thence southwardly across a corner of said Bowers' land to Robert Pierce's land, then on said Pierce's land by William Bowers' land about 100 rods; then crossing a corner of said Bowers' land to Col. Sampson Stoddard's land; then still southerly on the side of said Stoddard's land about 30 rods; then on Nathaniel Butterfield's land about 20 rods; then on Issiah Spaulding's land about 20 rods; then on Ebenezer Frost's land about 50 rods to Mr. Thomas Marshall's land; and on said Marshall's land about 80 rods; then on Ebenezer Frost's land about 10 rods and then on the said Marshall's land about 7 rods; then on land of the heirs of Capt. Joseph Parker, deceased, about 40 rods to a white oak tree marked by Billerica line. The said way is laid out three rods wide and on the easterly side of marked trees and a great rock that is on Ebenezer Frost's land with stones on it from the bounds first mentioned to Billerica line.

John Spaulding  
Thomas Spaulding  
Jonathan Spaulding - Selectmen

We whose names are herewith subscribed do freely give the land for said highway where it is laid out on our lands as witness own hands.

Joseph Moores  
Ebenezer Frost  
Thomas Marshall



A highway laid out by the Selectmen, November 26, 1762.

Beginning at the westerly side of a road that leads from John Adams' to Samuel Stevens' at a white oak tree marked near the said road and running westerly by bounds to a stake and stones at Westford line near the home of Caleb Wright in Westford.

Accepted by the Town August 26, 1763.

Recorded by William Foster, Town Clerk

(Original Book page 16)



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(Accepted, page 105)

A highway laid out by the Selectmen, July 6, 1763.

Beginning at a black oak tree marked standing near the old Saw Mill Bridge (so-called), and running eastwardly by marked trees to a pine tree marked; then crossing the new trodden path; thence by marked trees to a stake and stones; thence running by Samuel Perham's land to a black oak tree marked; thence to Blodgett's road (so-called); thence turning and running southerly to a small black oak tree marked. Still southerly by land of Ensign Samuel Stevens to a stake and stones; then running southwesterly to a pine tree marked; thence still on by the said Stevens' land to a road that leads from Chelmsford to Moses Chandler's in Westford.

Accepted by the Town, March 5, 1764.

(Original book page 16)



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Page 100  
(Accepted, page 106)

A highway laid out by the Selectmen, February 14, 1764, at the request of Jonathan Spaulding.

Beginning at a stake and stones on the northerly side of Blodgett road (so called) and running easterly across said road and through the aforesaid Spaulding's land to a white oak tree marked standing near the Mill Road (so called).

A part of the old Blodgett Road was discontinued and the above new road accepted by the Town, March 5th, 1764.

Recorded by William Foster, Town Clerk  
(Original book page 16)



Chelmsford, July 5, 1764

A highway viewed and laid out by us the subscribers and bounded as follows:

Beginning near the sawmill called Tyler's and Hamblett's Mill at a large rock and a heap of stones on the said rock, and running southwesterly on said Hamblett's land to a stake and stones; from thence on land of Joseph Tyler; and from thence through the land of the heirs of Andrew Fletcher, deceased, to a stake and stones; thence southwesterly through the land of James Parkhurst to the County Road, bounding on Merrimack River.

Oliver Barron  
Aaron Chamberlain  
Timothy Clark - Selectmen

Accepted by the Town March 4, 1765, recorded by Ephraim Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book page 17)



Chelmsford, March 14, 1765

A Town-way viewed and laid out by us the subscribers on Merrimak River near the foot of Pentucket Falls and is bounded as follows:

Beginning at the County Road near the barn of Thomas Fletcher and running northerly by said Fletcher's now standing fence to a stake and stones at the northwest corner thereof, where the said fence turns to the east; and from said corner running easterly on said Fletcher's land and on Ephraim Pierce's land a straight line by a stake and heap of stones to land of said Thomas Fletcher; and then running northerly by said Fletcher's land to Merrimak River; and then running westerly by said river to low-water mark on said Pierce's land; and partly on said Fletcher's land and partly on Reserved land till it comes to be three rods west - up stream of said river - above the corner of the fence above mentioned - and so extending from thence to the County Road aforesaid. To be three rods wide from said Thomas Fletcher's fence, excepting against where the Swett house stood - so called - there to be only about two rods wide from said fence.

Ephraim Spaulding  
William Foster  
Oliver Barron  
Aaron Chamberlain  
Timothy Clark        - Selectmen

Accepted March 3, 1766.

(Original book page 17)



A town way viewed and bounded by the Selectmen at the request of Amos Kidder.

Said way beginning at a stake and heap of stones by the County road near the dwelling house of Benjamin Wood and thence running by the stone wall near said Kidder's barn; thence easterly by stakes and stones over the brook to a stake and heap of stones. Said way is laid two rods wide and on the northerly side of said bounds.

Accepted March 6, 1769

Recorded by David Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book page 18)



A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen at the request of Joseph Moores. Said way beginning at a stake and heap of stones near said Moores' dwelling house and running southerly by a stake and heap of stones and still southerly over the causeway until it comes to a stake and stones and thence westerly by a stake and heap of stones and still westerly as the fence now stands to a stake and heap of stones by the road leading from widow Mary Keyes' to Billerica. The said way is two rods wide.

Accepted March 5, 1770.

Recorded by David Spaulding, Town Clerk

For acceptance see Book H, Page 355.

(Original book page 18).



A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen at the request of  
Lieut. John Spaulding.

Beginning at the road that leads from Crooked Spring to the Mills  
that was formerly John Richardson's, deceased - at a stake and heap of  
stones at the corner of said John Spaulding's field; from thence running  
southerly to a stake and heap of stones. Still southerly to a stake and  
stones at the corner of said Lieut. Spaulding's field; thence easterly  
about 16 rods to a stake and stones and so out to the road leading from  
Ebenezer Richardson's to Andrew's Bridge, so-called. The said way is  
laid two rods wide and on the east and northeast of said bounds.

Accepted March 4th, 1771, Book I, page 45.

(Original book page 18).



A town way viewed and bounded out by the Selectmen.

Beginning at a small white oak tree marked at the southwesterly part of Samuel Perham's field, by the road that leads from Samuel Stevens to Sawmill Bridge - so-called - and from thence runs northwesterly to a pine tree marked by the aforesaid way.

Accepted March 2, 1772, and the old way discontinued.

(See Book I, page 99 for acceptance).

(Original book page 19).



A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen at the request of Samuel Perham and others.

Beginning near Stony Brook meadows at a stake by said meadow fence and runs southerly by several marks to a stake by a large stone at the road called Blodgett's road.

Accepted March 2, 1772.

(Original book page 19).



A town way viewed and bounded by the Selectmen.

Beginning at the County Road near Capt. John Ford's dwelling house and runs southerly into the road that leads from Abel Spaulding's to the mouth of Concord River and near the brook called Speen's Brook; and also from said way on the northerly side of Benjamin Parker's pasture to the gate place that leads to Andrew Fletcher's.

Accepted March 3, 1777, and a part of the old road discontinued. See Book I, page 404.

(Original book page 19).



A road laid out by the Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, Feb. 6th, 1783, and accepted by the Town at their annual meeting in March, 1783, bounded as follows:

Said road is laid out two rods wide and is bounded on the northerly side of said road. Beginning at a black oak, marked, on land of Mr. Timothy Clark near Mr. Jacob Howard's woodland; then running easterly to a walnut tree, marked, by the road that is now trodden; then to another walnut tree; then to a black oak tree, marked, and so easterly to a stake and stones near Ensign Phillip Parker's wall; then more southerly by said Parker's wall to the corner of said wall; then to a white oak tree, marked; then to a black oak tree, marked; then to another black oak tree, marked; nearly as the road now goes and near the corner of the widow Susanna Fletcher's wall. Thus bounded on the southerly side of said road on said Parker's wall and by said wall as the same now stands to the corner near the said widow Susanna Fletcher. Then easterly near the back side of said widow's house and barn to the wall on the southerly side of said way and as the wall now stands to an apple tree at the corner of the Cidermill by the road that leads from the Meeting House to Robert Pierce's.

Samuel Stevens  
Daniel Proctor  
Abel Adams  
Benjamin Spaulding - Selectmen

Received the 12th day of March, 1783, by Oliver Barron, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 20)



The following is a record of a road viewed and laid out by the Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford on the 3rd day of Feb. 1783, and is bounded as follows:

Beginning at the road near Mr. William Fisk's at a stake and stones, then running easterly to a birch tree; then to a stake in Mr. Joseph Moore's field; then to another stake a little north of said Moore's corn barn and as the road is now trod to a stake near the new Bridge (so called). Said road is two rods wide and is bounded on the north side of said way.

Samuel Stevens  
Daniel Proctor  
Abel Adams  
Benjamin Spaulding - Selectmen

Said road was accepted by Town at the annual meeting March, 1783, and Recorded March 12, 1783, by Oliver Barron, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 21).



A road viewed and laid out by the Selectmen at the request of Capt. Samuel Stevens and others and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a gate north of Moses Davis' at the end of a stone wall; then running northerly to a black oak stump with stones on the stump; then still northwardly to another stump with stones on it; then still northerly across Speen's Brook (so called) to a white birch tree, marked, with stones about it. Thence northwardly on a straight line to a road laid out in years past across Bobbing (?) Pasture (so-called) to the house of Henry Fletcher (deceased). Said way is laid out two rods wide and on the easterly side of said bounds.

There is no record to be found of the acceptance of the above road by the Town. It was put over from one meeting to another and finally left out of the warrants and proceeding of the meetings.

(Original book page 21).



Chelmsford, March 21, 1789

A highway laid out through part of Concord River Neck by us the subscribers at the request of Mr. Seth Livingston and others.

Beginning at a parting road that leads from Moses Davis' to Ebenezer Frost's at a stake and stones at the northerly corner which is the corner bound of Mr. Seth Livingston's and Mr. Ebenezer Frost's land; then running southwardly on said Livingston's land to a stake and stones a little west of the pond hole; then southwardly to a stake and stones at the foot of the hill; then southerly to a stake and stones on the top of the hill. Still southwardly to a stake and stones; still southerly to a stake and stones on the top of the hill against Mr. Thomas Marshall's land; still southerly to a stake and stones near a Great Rock by said Marshall's land by the road that leads to Billerica line. Said Road is laid out on the most easterly part of said Livingston's land and is bounded on the westerly side of said road and is laid out three rods wide in every part thereof.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher - Selectmen

Recorded May 14, 1789, by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book page 22).



Chelmsford, September 21, 1790

Then the Selectmen laid out a highway at Newfield (so called).  
Beginning at a large stone in the corner of the wall before the house of  
Capt. Jonas Pierce and then running westerly on the land of said Pierce  
until it comes to land of Simeon Blodgett. Thence westerly on said  
Blodgett's land by the line between said Blodgett's land and land of  
Benjamin Parker and John Roby until it comes to the south west corner  
of said Parker's and Roby's land and from said corner on a straight line  
to a stake and stones a little east of said Blodgett's barn by an apple  
tree at the old road that leads from Tyngsborough to Chelmsford. Said  
road is laid out three rods wide in every part thereof and is bounded on  
the northerly side of said road.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher - Selectmen

Accepted by the town October 4, 1790, and Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding,

Town Clerk

(original book pages 22-23).



A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen, December 28, 1792,  
in the north part of Chelmsford.

Beginning near Joseph Farrar's house on the south side of the road  
that leads from said Farrar's to Crooked Spring at a stake and stones;  
then running easterly to the most northeasterly corner of Capt. Stevens'  
field; then running southerly partly by said Stevens' fence to a black  
oak tree, marked; then running easterly to a pine tree, marked, at the  
road called Blodgett's road that leads by said Capt. Stevens' field to  
Crooked Spring. Said road is laid out two rods wide in every part thereof  
and is bounded on the most southwardly side of said road.

Laid out by Benjamin Spaulding  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

The above road was accepted by the Town and at the same time the old  
road that leads from Crooked Spring to Joseph Farrar's was discontinued.  
Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk, January 15, 1793.  
(Original book page 23).



Chelmsford, August 21, 1793

A town way laid out by the Selectmen of said Town on the day aforesaid. Beginning at the road that leads from the Chelmsford Meeting house to Westford near Mr. Simeon Stevens' house at the head of the lane between said Stevens' house and the School House. Then running northwardly as the path now goes between the land of Simeon Stevens and Henry Spaulding by the fences as they now stand until it comes to a stake and stones at the corner of the wall of the said Stevens over the stone bridge at Ridge Hill (so called). Then running northerly over said hill as the path is now trod to a stake and stones by the road leading around Simeon Stevens' pasture to Issachar Keyes. Said road is laid out three rods wide from the bound mentioned by the Stone Bridge to the last mentioned bound. Said bounds are on the most westerly side of said road.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

Accepted by the town and recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 23 and 24).



A town way laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford on the third day of December, 1793.

Beginning at the road that leads from Joseph Farrar's to Robert Richardson's near Crooked Spring Brook at the corner bound between Peter Spaulding and Josiah and Robert Richardson's land at a stake and stones; then running northwardly on said Spaulding's land and by land of said Richardson about 8 rods to a stake and stones. Still northwardly on said Spaulding's land about 40 rods to a black oak tree, marked, by land of Joseph Farrar. Then running more northerly on land of said Joseph Farrar and by land of said Spaulding about 16 rods to a small white oak tree, marked; by westerly on land of said Farrar about 10 rods to a small maple tree, marked, by Stony Brook Bridge; still westerly until it comes to Mr. John Twiss' land on the north side of said bridge; still northerly as the path is now trod on said Twiss' land to an elm tree by said Twiss' house. Still northerly as the path now goes on said Twiss' land till it comes to the northerly side of his land to the county road leading from Issachar Keyes to Tyngsboro. Said road is laid out two rods wide in every part. The two first mentioned bounds are on the westward side of said road, the others on the easterly and northerly side of said way.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

Accepted by the Town and recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk  
(Original book page 24).



A town way laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford on the 22nd day of April, 1794.

Beginning at the road near Mr. Jonathan Snow's dwelling house at a stake and stones. Then running northeasterly on said Snow's land about 27 rods to a stake and stones near the meadow by land of Nathaniel Tuttle; then running more easterly about 33 rods partly on land of said Snow and partly on land of said Tuttle to a stake and stones at the road near Nathaniel Tuttle's dwelling house. Said road is laid out two rods wide and is bounded on the most southerly and easterly side of said way.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

Accepted by the town September 29, 1794, and recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book page 25).



An addition to the highway that leads from Mr. Micah Spaulding's to  
Mr. Phinehas Whiting's.

Beginning on the eastward side of said road at a stake and stones  
and running northerly about six rods to a stake and stones; then northerly  
about 4 rods to a stake and stones; still northerly about 5 rods to a stake  
and stones by the old road. The said addition was made by the Selectmen  
of Chelmsford on the 3rd day of October, 1794.

Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

The above mentioned piece of way was accepted by the town November 3, 1794.

Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 25).



A town way laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford on the 20th day of October, 1794.

Beginning by the corner of the roads east of Samuel and Willard Marshall at a stake and stones at the corner (called Pierce's corner) at the corner of the wall. Then running southerly about 20 rods on land of Zaccheus Fletcher to a stake and stones; then running southerly on said Fletcher's land to a stake and stones by the corner of the ditch at the causeway. Said road is laid out three rods wide and is bounded on the northerly and westerly side of said way.

Another piece of way laid out at the same time.

Beginning at a stake and stones by the road near the aforesaid Samuel and Willard Marshall's store, running southeasterly about 25 rods on land of Zaccheus Fletcher to a stake and stones to the road above mentioned and is bounded on the most westerly side of said road and is three rods wide.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Jonas Pierce     -     Selectmen

The above mentioned ways were accepted by the town November 3, 1794.

Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book page 26).



A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford on the 28th day of October, 1794.

Beginning at a stake and stones by the road that leads from Seth Livingston's to Moses Davis' a little north of a pond hole in the said road. Then running northerly on said Livingston's land two rods west of the southwest corner of Ebenezer Frosts' land. So on said Livingston's land and land of Mr. Samuel Marshall to a stake and stones in said Marshall's field. Still northerly on said Marshall's land and land of said Livingston to a stake and stones in Mr. Thomas Marshall's field. Still northerly to a stake and stones on the northward side of said field; then northwesterly to a stake and stones by said Marshall's fence. Then more westerly on said Thomas Marshall's land and land of Oliver Barron, Esq., to the southeast corner of Benjamin Butterfield's field; so by said Butterfield's land on land of said Barron, Esq., to the southwest corner of said Butterfield's land by the causeway. Then over said causeway across Jonathan Simpson's meadow to the road before laid out. Said road is laid out two rods wide in every part and is bounded on the most easterly and northerly side of said road.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce     -     Selectmen

The mentioned road was accepted by the town November 3, 1794, on the conditions that there be no cost for the town to pay excepting to Thomas Marshall for his land and that Messers Samuel and Willard Marshall shall make a sufficient causeway over the meadow to the acceptance of the town.

Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 26 & 27).



A highway laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford on the 13th day of February, 1795.

Beginning near the brook by Mr. Willard Parker's at an apple tree with stones about it by the road in Samuel Adams' land between his house and barn, so out to an apple tree by the road from said Adams' to Zebulon Spaulding's with stones about said apple tree. Said road is laid out three rods wide and is bounded on the most southerly side of said way.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

The above road was accepted by the town on condition that Lieut. Samuel Adams allow to Willard Parker so much of the old road as they shall agree upon for said Parker to go to his land.

Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book page 27).



Chelmsford, February 11, 1795

A town way laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford on the day  
aforesaid.

Beginning at the road leading from Henry Spaulding's to widow Esther  
Spaulding two rods east of Henry Spaulding's field on land of Benjamin  
Spaulding. Then running northeasterly nearly as the path is now trod on  
said Benjamin Spaulding's land to a pine tree which is a bound between  
said Spaulding's land and land of Simeon Stevens. Then easterly on said  
Stevens' land and land of Andrew Spaulding to a black oak tree, marked,  
on said Stevens' land. Still easterly on said Stevens' land to a stake  
and stones between said Stevens' land and land of Josiah Richardson.  
Still easterly on said Richardson's land and by his house as the path is  
now trod to a stake and stones between said Richardson's land and land of  
James Dunn. Still easterly on said Dunn's land to a cherry tree a little  
south of said Dunn's barn. Still easterly as the path is now trod and  
by the wall out to the road that leads from the widow Esther Spaulding's  
to Henry Spaulding's. Said road is laid out two rods wide and is bounded  
on the most southerly side of said road.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

Accepted by the town April 6, 1795.  
Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book page 28).



Chelmsford, February 14, 1795

A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen on the day above said.

Beginning at an elm tree near Deacon Ebeneser Gould's corn house;  
then running southerly on said Gould's land over the dam on said Gould's  
meadow to an apple tree with stones about it on the south side of said  
dam. Still southerly on said Gould's land and land of James Parkhurst  
to an apple tree with stones about it south of and near the brook in said  
Parkhurst's pasture. Still southerly on said Parkhurst's land to an ash  
tree, marked, in the fence by an old ditch. Still southerly to an apple  
tree in said Parkhurst's pasture with stones about it. Still southerly  
to a stake and stones at the road near Ephraim Parkhurst's house. Said  
road is laid out three rods wide and is bounded on the easterly side of  
said way.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

Accepted by the town March 6, 1795, and recorded by Benjamin Spaulding,  
Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 28 & 29).



Chelmsford, April 14, 1796

A piece of a highway viewed and laid out by the Selectmen on the date hereof.

Beginning at the ditch at the most northeasterly corner of the bridge over River Meadow Brook by Samuel and Willard Marshall's; then running southerly across a corner of Lieut. Benjamin Butterfield's land to the top of the hill at a stake and stones by the road that was laid out from Samuel and Willard Marshall's to near Seth Livingston's.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

Accepted by the Town, November 14, 1796.  
Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book page 29).



Chelmsford, January 9, 1797

A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen on the day above said.

Beginning at the road that leads from Lieut. Benjamin Butterfield's to Mr. Andrew Fletcher's at a cherry tree stump on land of said Butterfield near the land of said Fletcher. Then running northerly to a black oak tree, marked, standing on said Butterfield's land. Then more westerly on said Butterfield's land to a stake and stones at the wall between said Butterfield's land and land of Benjamin Parker. Then westerly on said Parker land to a white oak tree, marked. Thence northwesterly on said Parker's land and land of Micah Spaulding to the corner of said Spaulding's land near the School House two rods south of said house to the road that leads to Benjamin Parker's. Then westerly, partly on said Parker's land and partly on land belonging to the heirs of Phillip Parker (deceased), to a large stone on the land of said heirs. Still westerly on said heir's land to a large stone near the northeasterly corner of the cidermill house and from thence south of the house belonging to said heir's and thence westerly out to a large stone on land of Jacob Howard at the road that leads from said Howard's to Samuel and Willard Marshall's. Said road is laid out two rods wide in every part and is bounded on the most southerly side of said road.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

Accepted February 6, 1797, and recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk.  
(Original book pages 29 & 30).



Chelmsford, February 13, 1797

A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen on the date hereof.

Beginning at a pine tree, marked, by the road that leads from Jacob Chamberlain's to the Meeting House about 14 rods east of Jonathan Perham's pasture wall; then running southerly nearly as the path now goes to a pine tree, marked, at the land of Benjamin and William Fletcher. Still southerly as the path now is to a stake and stones at Jonathan Stevens' land. Said way is laid out two rods wide in every part and is bounded on the most easterly side of said road.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

The above road was accepted by the town at their annual meeting in March, 1797, on condition that the aforesaid Jonathan Stevens defend the town from any cost for said road.

Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 30).



Chelmsford, February 27, 1797

A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford on the day above said.

Beginning on the plains on the most northerly side of the road that leads from Golden Cove to Long Causeway (so called) at a stake and stones against the bars by the corner of Jeremiah Warren's and Oliver Barron's land. Then running northerly on said Barron's land to a stake and stones at the road which leads from Mr. Noah Spaulding's to said Long Causeway against the land of the widow Ruth Emerson. Said road is laid out two rods wide and is bounded on the northerly side of said way.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher - Selectmen

Accepted March, 1797, and recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk  
(Original book page 31).



A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford, May 26,  
1797.

Beginning at Merrimack River Bridge two paces East of the southeast  
corner post of the railing on said bridge; then running southerly partly  
on land of Capt. John Ford and partly on land of Phinehas Whiting out  
to the County Road by said Whiting's house to a stake and stones near  
the southwest corner of said Whiting's house. Said way is laid out two  
rods wide and bounded on the easterly side of said way.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

Accepted by the Town, June 5, 1797.

Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk

(Original book page 31).



Also another piece of way laid out on May 26, 1797 by the Selectmen of Chelmsford.

Beginning at the road between Mr. Joseph Chambers and Mr. Nathan Tyler at the corner of the wall and running easterly as the road is now trodden to Cornet Josiah Fletcher's as far as is considered to be discontinued by the Court of Sessions at their last session at Concord. Said way is laid out three rods wide and is bounded as the fences now stand on each side of the way.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

Accepted by the Town, June 5, 1797.

Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 31).



Chelmsford, August 22, 1797

A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen.

Beginning by the road that leads from Lieut. Benjamin Butterfield's to the Moses Davis' at a stake and stones on land of Samuel Howard about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  rods east of the corner of the wall between said Howard's and Andrew Fletcher's land. Then running northerly about one rod to a stake and stones on said Howard's land. Then northerly on said Howard's land to the easterly corner of a large rock with stones on it. Still northerly, partly on said Howard's land and partly on land of Andrew Fletcher to a white oak tree, marked, standing in the wall between the land of the said Howard and the said Fletcher. Still northerly as the wall now stands to a black oak stump with stones on it. (Said road to be two rods wide from the second bound). Then running northerly as the wall now stands to a black oak tree by the wall on the top of the hill (where the road is to be three rods wide). Then still northerly as the wall now stands to the corner of the wall between said Howard's and Capt. Joseph Fletcher's land (where the road is to be two rods wide). Then still northerly to a stake and stones between the causeway and said Capt. Fletcher's house. Still northerly by said Fletcher's house to the wall east of his barn - to be three rods wide from the last mentioned stake and is bounded on the easterly side of said road.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

The above mentioned road was accepted by the town at a publick meeting December 14, 1797, and recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk.  
(Original book page 32).



Chelmsford, December 11, 1797

A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford on the day aforesaid.

Beginning by the road from Deacon Ebeneser Gould's to Capt. William Adams' at Langley Stock (so-called) at the north post of the most northerly pair of bars leading into Mr. Ephraim Parkhurst's field. Then running southerly on said Parkhurst's land and land of said Deacon Gould to a large split rock with stones upon it on the hill north of said Gould's meadow. Still southerly on said Gould's land to a white oak tree, marked, on land of Oliver Richardson west of Deacon Gould's meadow. Thence southerly on said Richardson's land to a stake and stones at the fence by Jesse Spaulding and still southerly on said Spaulding's land and land of Deacon Ebeneser Gould to a white oak tree, marked, by land of Phillip Parkhurst. Still southerly on said Parkhurst's land near by the mine pit - so to a stake and stones on land of Ephraim Parkhurst near the Blacksmith Shop to the road that leads to Chelmsford Meeting House. Said road is laid out three rods wide in every part and is bounded on the westerly side of said road.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Benjamin Fletcher  
Jonas Pierce - Selectmen

Accepted by the town December 14, 1797, and recorded by Benjamin Spaulding,  
Town Clerk.

(Original book page 33).



Chelmsford, December 29, 1800

An alteration in the road from Micah Spaulding's to Simon Parker's viewed and laid out by the Selectmen on the day above mentioned.

Beginning at a stake and stones by the road near said Spaulding's house and running southerly on said Spaulding's land to a stake and stones at the road that leads from Benjamin Parker's to Lieut. Benjamin Butterfield's. Then passing on said road over the causeway to a stake and stones on the southerly side of said road. Then running southerly on said Spaulding's land by two large apple trees against Levi Fletcher's land to a walnut tree on the island in the meadow; southerly on said Spaulding's land and a small corner of Levi Fletcher's land out to a post in the pair of bars near the brook in the old road that leads to Simon Parker's. Said road is laid out three rods wide in every part and is bounded on the most westerly side of said road.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Joseph Warren - Selectmen

The above mentioned road was accepted by the town on the 13th day of January, 1801, on condition that the said Mr. Micah Spaulding give all the land for said road. Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk.  
(Original book pages 33 and 34).



Chelmsford, January 27, 1802

A town way viewed and laid out by the Selectmen on the day aforesaid.

Beginning at a stake and stones by the road that leads from Mr. Phillip Parkhurst's to Mr. John Dunns' near the corner of Deacon Ebeneser Gould's turnip yard (so-called) and running easterly to the fence and land of Phillip Parkhurst and his sons. Thence on said Parkhurst's land by the fence and on land of Deacon Gould to a stake and stones by the road that leads from Jonathan Manning's to John Dunns'. The said road is laid out three rods wide and is bounded on the southerly side of said way.

Benjamin Spaulding  
Ichabod Gibson  
Joseph Warren - Selectmen

The above mentioned road was accepted by the town at a publick town meeting, February 15, 1802, on condition that the aforesaid Deacon Gould give security to free the town from any cost of the land.

Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 34).



Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Middlesex ss.

At a court of general sessions of the peace began and holden at Concord within and for the said county of Middlesex on a Monday next preceeding the second Tuesday of September being the eighth day of said month A.D. 1800.

And now the committee appointed at the last term of this court to lay out an highway in the Town of Chelmsford, make return on the warrant to them directed as follows:

In compliance with the foregoing appointment your committee proceeded to Chelmsford and after notifying all concerned proceeded to lay out the road referred to in said appointment as follows, viz:

Beginning at or near the southwest corner of Jacob Howard's cornfield making a large rock in said Howard's land near to a white pine tree the northerly bound, thence running easterly about thirty rods through said Howard's land. Thence running the same course about thirteen rods through a corner of Dorcas Parker's land to the present Town Way; then crossing the Town Way and running same course to the northerly gate post near to Osgood Worcester's house. Thence running by said house at ten feet distance from the southerly corner thereof; thence running straight to an apple tree standing near said Worcester's corn barn and present wall. Thence running easterly about eight rods to a small white oak tree standing in said Worcester's land. Thence running about twenty rods to a stake and stones near the wall in Benjamin Parker's land; thence running about sixteen rods to an apple tree, marked, standing in said Parker's land near to a small run of water. Thence running about twenty-five rods to a stake at the corner of the wall before Benjamin Parker's house; thence running about eight rods to a rock in said Parker's



land with stones placed thereon. Thence running to the westerly post of the garden gate near to Zebulon Parker's house. Thence crossing the Town Way and running straight through Mr. Benjamin Parker and son's land and land of Micah Spaulding, over a large rock in said Spaulding's land about southwest from said Spaulding's house, and so on till it crosses the county road and to an apple tree, marked, standing near said county road in said other piece of land. From thence crossing said Spaulding's land to Benjamin Parker and son's wood lot and crossing a corner of said wood lot to a stake and stones at the wall between said Parker's and Levi Fletcher's land. Thence running through said Fletcher's land and to a rock about one rod in Benjamin Butterfield's land. Thence straight over one other large rock in said Butterfield's land to a stake and stones at the present county road. The said bounds are considered as the northerly bounds of said road and the road is laid out three rods wide.

And we have appraised the damages to the several proprietors of the land as follows, namely: To Jacob Howard thirty dollars. To Dorcas Parker twenty-five dollars. To William McQuestion six dollars. To Samuel Howard one dollar. To Benjamin Parker and sons fifty dollars. To Micah Spaulding fifty dollars. To Levi Fletcher forty dollars. No damages are estimated for Benjamin Butterfield because no reward was required. All which is submitted in Concord, September 12th, 1800.

Your Committee further reports that said road be considered as a publick Highway from and after the fifteenth day of November next.

Amos Bond  
Ebenezer Bancroft  
Samuel Thomson  
David Lawrence

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Which report being seen and fully considered by the Court is accepted and the Court hereby establish the way above described for a publick Highway from and after the fifteenth day of November next.

A Copy of Record

Attest: Abraham Bigelow Clerk

Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 35 and 36).



Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Middlesex ss.

At a court of General Sessions of the Peace began and holden at Concord within and for the County of Middlesex on the Monday next preceeding the second Tuesday of September being the eighth day of said month A.D. 1800.

And now the Committee at the last Term upon petition of Aaron Chamberlain, Agent for the Town of Chelmsford, to review and consider the expediency of discontinuing the way lately laid out in said town from near Marshall causeway - so called - and by Mr. Joseph Moores out to the road that leads to Concord River Bridge make their report as follows:

In compliance of the foregoing appointment your Committee have reviewed and considered the expediency of granting the prayer of the foregoing Petition and are of opinion that it will be expedient to grant the said prayer.

Concord, September 12, 1800.

Amos Bond  
Ebenezer Bancroft  
Samuel Thomson  
David Lawrence

Which report being seen and fully considered by the Court is accepted and it is ordered by the Court here that the road aforesaid be and hereby is discontinued.

A Copy of Record

attest: Abraham Bigelow, Clerk

Recorded by Benjamin Spaulding, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 37).



At a Court of General Sessions of the Peace began and holden at Cambridge within and for the County of Middlesex on the third Tuesday of February being the ninth day of said month A.D. 1804.

And now the Committee appointed at the last Term of this Court to lay out a highway from Dunstable Meeting House to Blodgett Brook in Chelmsford, make their report on the warrant to them directed as follows:

Middlesex ss. October 24, 1804: We the subscribers, a committee named herein, having met at the house of Josiah Stevens, Inholder, in Tyngsborough, all persons interested being notified, after being duly sworn proceeded to lay out the within mentioned road, viz:

Beginning at a stake and stones in the road about 30 rods westerly of Jonathan Proctor's house in Dunstable, then to a stake and stones by said Proctor's drawbars. Then following the old road to a stake and stones in the road four rods southwest of Jeremiah Cummings' barn; thence through said Cummings' land and land of Oliver Cummings and land lately owned by Phillip Butterfield. Thence crossing an highway to a stake and stones in the highway by the widow Mary Emerson's stone wall. Thence through Mrs. Emerson's land to a stake and stones in land of James Taylor opposite his house. Thence on said Taylor's land to a stake and stones on the line between said Taylor's land to a stake and stones on the land between said Taylor and land of Joseph and Jonathan Upton. Thence to a stake and stones in the Town Way about ( ) feet west of said Upton's house not far from Tyngsborough line. Thence partly on the old road and partly on said Upton's land to two small white oak trees, marked, by said Upton's wall. Thence following the Town Way and on land of John Cummings to a stake and stones two feet from the southwest



corner of said Cummings' Cooper Shop. Thence on said Cummings' land; thence through Robert Brindley's land and land occupied by Asa Underwood. Thence into land of Asa Wyman to a stake and stones about eight feet southward from the corner of said Wyman's house; thence to a stake and stones at the end of said Wyman's land; thence land of Samuel Lund; thence through John Cummings' land to a stake and stones on the brow of the hill on Charles Flint's land; thence on said Flint's land crossing the Town Way to an apple tree, marked, north of said Flint's house so on to a stake and stones by Flint's wall; thence to an apple tree, marked, in Nathaniel Brindley's land; so on said Brindley's land to a stake and stones near Westford line; thence running through Hezekiah Hildreth's land to a stake and stones near Chelmsford line; thence through land of Capt. Jonas Pierce to a pitch pine tree, marked, in said Pierce's land; thence through land of James Abbott, Esq., and through land of Josiah Stevens and land of Capt. Isaac Chamberlain to an elm tree, marked, standing in the road by said Chamberlain's house not far from Blodgett's Brook (so called).

And the aforementioned bounds are on the southerly side of the road and the road is laid out three rods wide, and we estimate the damages to be paid by the respective towns to the several persons as follows:

The Town of Dunstable to pay to

Jonathan Proctor	\$30	Thirty dollars
Jeremiah Cummings	\$50	Fifty dollars
Capt. Oliver Cummings	\$50	Fifty dollars
Owners of land lately owned by Capt. Phillip Butterfield	\$140	One hundred forty dollars
Widow Mary Emerson	<u>\$50</u>	Fifty dollars
	\$320	



The Town of Tyngsboro to pay to

Robert Brindley	\$150	One hundred fifty dollars
Asa Underwood	\$ 18	Eighteen dollars
Asa Wyman	\$ 45	Forty-five dollars
Charles Flint	\$200	Two hundred dollars
Nathaniel Brindley	\$ 50	Fifty dollars
James Abbott, Esq.	\$ 35	Thirty-five dollars
Josiah Stevens	\$ 03	Three dollars
Samuel Lund	<u>\$ 40</u>	Forty dollars
	\$541	

The Town of Westford to pay to

Nathaniel Brindley	\$ 10	Ten dollars
Hezekiah Hildreth	<u>\$120</u>	One hundred twenty-dollars
	\$130	

The Town of Chelmsford to pay to

Capt. Jonas Pierce	\$ 50	Fifty dollars
Capt. Isaac Chamberlain	<u>\$170</u>	One hundred seventy dollars
	\$220	

All other persons whose land the road passes through no damages requested.

October 20, 1804

Samson Tuttle & Seal  
Jeremiah Clapp & Seal  
Samuel Lawrence & Seal  
James Brazer & Seal  
Joshua Langley & Seal

Which report being seen and fully understood by the Court is accepted and ordered to be recorded and the Court hereby establish the Way above described for a publick Highway.

A copy of Record

Attest: Abraham Bigalow, Clerk

(Original book pages 38-40).



Chelmsford, May 5, 1813

Pursuant to a petition of Lieut. Samuel Adams and others, we the subscribers have this day viewed and laid out a road for the use of the town as follows:

Beginning at a small maple tree, marked with a stake and stones by said tree at the Billerica line, on land of Henry Spaulding, Jr., partly east from said Spaulding's house; thence running northwardly on said Spaulding's land and crossing a small corner of Deacon John Spaulding's land and crossing another lot of said Henry Spaulding and on to land of Joseph Adams and running across said Adams' meadow just below the bend of a brook and on to land of Deacon Spaulding, aforesaid, to a small black oak tree, marked, near the top of a ridge hill; and on to land of Capt. Sherebiah Spaulding to a small elm tree, marked, near the east end of said Capt. Spaulding's house and out to the road that leads from Spaulding's to the Meeting House in Chelmsford. The above mentioned bounds are in the center of the road and the road to be three rods wide. N.B. The road runs as straight as could conveniently be laid out without a compass.

Nathaniel Howard  
Samuel Stevens  
Abijah Spaulding - Selectmen

Accepted by the town May 6, 1813.

Recorded by Nathaniel Howard, Town Clerk

(Original book page 40).



Chelmsford, December 8, 1808

Pursuant to a petition of Benjamin Parkhurst and others, we the subscribers have this day viewed and laid out a road as follows, viz:

Beginning at the foot of the hill north of the Esther Farmer house, so called, at a stake and stones by William Fletcher's fence, thence running southerly within about four or five paces of the west end of William Fletcher's barn on a straight line within four feet of the westerly side of Col. Bridge's store out to the Common. Said road to be on the west side of said bounds and to be three rods wide.

Aaron Chamberlain  
Jonathan Perham, Selectmen

Accepted December 26, 1808.

(Original book page 41).



Chelmsford, March 27, 1810

We the subscribers, Selectmen of and for the Town of Chelmsford in the county of Middlesex, have this day viewed and laid out a particular or private way or road in the northerly part of said town for the use of the inhabitants of said town and is bounded as follows, viz:

Beginning at a thorn tree standing on the east side of the county road leading from Chelmsford meeting house to Tyngsboro near the house of William Adams, Esq. Thence running southeasterly in a straight line to a stake on the top of the hill; from said stake in a straight line over Stony Brook, so called, to a black oak tree, marked, standing on the bank of said brook; thence still southeastwardly to a large stone in the fence of Samuel Howard; then in a straight line to the county road leading from the head of Middlesex Canal to Tyngsborough; and from said black oak tree on the bank of Stony Brook aforesaid, southerly to a pine tree, marked; thence southerly to a poplar tree, marked; thence out to the road that leads from Chelmsford Meeting House to Tyngsboro and is laid out three rods wide on the southwesterly side of said line.

Jonathan Perham  
Amos Whitney - Selectmen

Accepted by the town May 7, 1810.

Recorded by Jonathan Perham, Town Clerk

(Original book page 42).



Pursuant to a petition of Isaac Adams and others, we the subscribers have viewed and laid out for the use of the Town of Chelmsford, a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stake and stones at the old road which leads from Isaac Adams' to John Adams' house, thence running across land of said Isaac Adams near the east end of said Adams' brick house, a northerly course and across land of John Adams to a stake standing four feet northwesterly from said John Adams' well near his house and out to the old road.

The said road is laid out on the westerly side of said course and is two rods wide.

Dated at Chelmsford, January 28, 1814.

Nathaniel Howard  
Samuel Stevens  
Abijah Spaulding, Selectmen

Accepted March 7, 1814, on condition that the Town shall be liable to no expense except making the road.

Recorded by Nathaniel Howard, Town Clerk

(Original book page 42).



November 28, 1809

Middlesex County: At a court of Common Pleas begun and holden at Cambridge within and for the County of Middlesex on the Monday next preceeding the third Tuesday of December being the eighteenth day of said month Anno Domini 1809.

And now the Committee appointed at September term last to try and lay out a highway from Dunstable to Blodgett's Brook in Chelmsford on the petition of John Cummings, Jr., and others, make their report on the warrant to them directed as follows:

Pursuant to the order of Court to which this is annexed, we the subscribers having been first sworn and having given notice to all persons interested in the laying out of the road prayed for in the foregoing petition in way and manner as certified by the office doing the service, met at the house of Jonathan Bennett, Innholder in Dunstable, on Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of November A.D. 1809, and from thence proceeded to lay out said highway or road in the following way and manner, viz:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Jonathan Bennett's barn on the southerly side of the County road leading from Boston to Hollis in the state of New Hampshire; thence running southeasterly across land of Bennett and Capt. Oliver Cummings forty-three rods to a stake and stones in said Cummings' land; thence running southeasterly still across said Cummings' land and land of Jonas Kendall eighty-nine rods to a large oak tree; thence running southeasterly on land of James Taylor nineteen rods to a stake and stones; thence running southeasterly eighty-eight rods to a small white oak tree, marked; thence southeasterly fifty-five rods, still across said Taylor's land to a walnut tree, marked; thence running southeasterly on land of Peter and Jeremiah Upton by an elm tree to a

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stake and stones in Jeremiah Upton's land east of his house one hundred and four rods; thence running southeasterly on land of said Jeremiah thirty-one rods to a white birch tree, marked; thence running southeasterly to a stake and stones on John Cummings' land seventy-eight rods, said stake standing in front of said Cummings' dwelling house; thence running southeasterly across said Cummings' and Robert Brindley's land to land of Asa Wyman to a stake and stones on a ridge hill one hundred and fifty-seven rods; thence running southeasterly by the house of said Wyman and over the brook and over the meadow of Charles Flint to a white oak tree, marked, on the side of a hill in said Flint's pasture one hundred and twenty-six rods; thence running southeasterly across said Flint's pasture and the County road to the back side of said Flint's dwelling house to a stake and stones sixty-five rods; thence running southeasterly on said Flint's land forty-six rods to a walnut tree in said Flint's pasture; thence running southeasterly partly on said Flint's land and partly on Nathaniel Brindley's land one hundred and five rods to land of Royal Makepeace to a stake and stones by a stone wall; thence running southeasterly through land of said Makepeace to a white pine tree in land of Jonas Pierce eighty-one rods; thence running southeasterly across land of said Pierce to a pitch pine tree in land of James Abbott, Esq., by the south side of a cart path eighty rods; thence running southeasterly through land of said Abbott, lands of Josiah Stevens and Capt. Isaac Chamberlain's land to the old travelled road near Blodgett's Brook, so called, in Chelmsford to a stake and stones near said Chamberlain's house. All the marks and monuments describing the above highway aforesaid are on the southerly side of the same and the road to be three rods wide. And the Committee are of the opinion that two years



from the acceptance of this report be allowed to the several towns for opening said road and making the same passable. And further it is the opinion of said Committee, and they do order that the wood, lumber and trees that are standing, growing or lying on the road or highway above described be so moved therefrom in one year from the acceptance of said report.

The Committee, according with our commission and order of Court, have estimated the damage done individuals by laying out said road over their lands as follows (to wit):

To Jonathan Bennett	\$ 27.00	
To Capt. Oliver Cummings	180.00	
To Jonas Kimball (?Kendall)	120.00	For Town of Dunstable to pay
To Willard Cummings	\$ 15.00	
To Robert Brindley, Esq.	200.00	
To Asa Wyman	40.00	
To Samuel F. Lund	30.00	
To Charles Flint	220.00	
To Nathaniel Brindley	60.00	For Town of Tyngsborough to pay
To Capt. Isaac Chamberlain	\$ 40.00	
To James Abbott, Esq.	30.00	
To Josiah Stevens	6.00	For Town of Tyngsboro to pay
To Nathaniel Brindley	10.00	
To Royal Makepeace	155.00	For Town of Westford to pay



To Capt. Jonas Pierce	\$ 60.00	
To Capt. Isaac Chamberlain	140.00	
To Royal Makepeace	5.00	For Town of Chelmsford to pay

All the other persons over whose lands said highway is laid ask no damage but give the same to their respective towns. Which is submitted by

John Walker	(and seal)
James Brazier	(and seal)
Daniel Varnum	(and seal)
John Robbins	(and seal)
Samuel Lawrence	(and seal)

All which being seen and fully understood by the Court and the petitioners by their counsel and the inhabitants of Chelmsford and Tyngsborough by their respective agents, being fully heard thereon, the Court do accept said report, except as to the time therein specified for removing the wood therefrom.

And the Court do hereby establish the way of aforesaid for a publick highway and allow the time of two years to the several towns through which it passes for opening and making the same passable. And the Court also allow the same time for the owners of wood on the land over which said road passes to take off the same.

And the Court here do order that the several sums of money assessed in damages aforesaid against the inhabitants of Dunstable be paid out of the Treasury thereof and in default of payment for the term of two years from the first day of January, 1810, the persons to whom said damages are awarded may severally have a warrant of distress for their respective damages agreeably to the law in such cases made and provided.

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And the Court do further order that the several sums of money assessed as damages as aforesaid against the inhabitants of the Town of Tyngsborough be paid out of the Treasury thereof and in default of payment for the term of two years from the first day of January, 1810, the persons to whom said damages are awarded may severally have a warrant of distress for their respective damages agreeably to the law in such cases made and provided.

And the Court do further order that the several sums of money assessed in damages as aforesaid against the inhabitants of the Town of Westford be paid out of the Treasury thereof and in default of payment for the term of two years from the first day of January, 1810, the persons to whom said damages are awarded may severally have a warrant of distress for their respective damages agreeably to the law in such as provided.

And the Court do further order that the several sums of money assessed in damages as aforesaid against the inhabitants of the Town of Chelmsford be paid out of the Treasury thereof and in default of payment for the term of two years from the first day of January, 1810, the persons to whom said damages are awarded may severally have a warrant of distress for their respective damages agreeably to the law in such cases made and provided.

A copy of Record

Attest: Abraham Biglow, Clerk

Recorded by Nathaniel Howard, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 43 through 47 ).



At the request of Aaron Chamberlain, Jr., we the Subscribers have viewed and laid out for the use of the town of Chelmsford a town way as follows (to wit):

Beginning at a stake and stones by the wall fence at the old road which leads from Chelmsford Meeting House by Aaron Chamberlain, Jr's house in said Chelmsford; from thence running westwardly on land of said Chamberlain partly by said wall to the northwardly side of an elm tree; from thence westerly by the northwardly side of a row of elm trees standing partly in front of said Chamberlain's house and out to the old road which leads from Westford to the house of John Adams. Said way to be two rods wide and on the northerly side of said bounds.

Nathaniel Howard  
Samuel Stevens  
Abijah Spaulding - Selectmen

Dated at Chelmsford September 19, 1815.

Accepted by the Town December 18, 1815, and the old road discontinued.

Chelmsford, Dec. 18, 1815

"I hereby release all claim for damages respecting said road provided the old road be discontinued."

Aaron Chamberlain, Jr.

Recorded by Nathaniel Howard, Town Clerk

(Original book page 47).



We the Subscribers agreeably to the vote of the town at the last Town Meeting have laid out a way for a road for the use of the town of Chelmsford as follows (to wit):

Beginning at a stake in Joel Spaulding's fence at the lower end of Capt. Craige's land near the bank of Merrimack River; thence partly easterly across Joel Spaulding's land to a large stump on the side of the hill partly on a ledge of rocks; thence to a stake and stones; thence to a stake in Joel Spaulding's fence; thence in a straight line on said Spaulding's land and land of Timothy Fuller, Esq., to a stake on the bank of the Canal and out to the Canal Bridge near the house of Amos Whitney, Esq.

Said road to be three rods wide and on the northerly side of said bounds.

Dated Chelmsford, March 14, 1817.

Nathaniel Howard  
Joseph Bailey  
Henry Spaulding 3rd - Selectmen

Accepted March 17, 1817.

Recorded by Nathaniel Howard, Town Clerk

(Original book page 48).



Laid out March 19, 1822

We the subscribers have viewed and laid out or widened a road for the use and benefit of the town of Chelmsford as follows (to wit):

Beginning at the southeasterly corner of the store of Aaron Mansur; thence running southerly by an old ditch and in front of the dwelling house of Nathaniel Stickney; thence still southerly by a ditch until it comes to a wall by land of Joseph Fletcher; thence by said wall to a stake and stones by Johnson Davis' land. The road being on the easterly side of said bounds. Thence to a stake and stones on the easterly side of the now travelled road by a rail fence; thence southerly on a straight line by land of the Widow Rebecca Warren to a stake and stones by the wall; thence still southerly by the wall on the east side of the road to a stake and stones by a cross wall west of the house of Nathan P. Ames; The road laying on the westerly side of said bounds. Thence to a stake and stones on the westerly side of said road on land of Johnson Davis; thence southerly about twenty rods to a stake in the top of a knoll; thence still southerly about twelve rods to a stake and stones. The road lying on the easterly side of said bounds. Thence to a stake and stones on the easterly side of said road by the wall; thence southerly by the wall to a stake and stones at the end of the wall on the back side of the house of the said Davis out to the road south of said Davis' house. The road being on the northwesterly side of said bounds and is three rods wide in every part.

Dated Chelmsford, March 19, A.D. 1822

Jonathan Perham  
Henry Spaulding 3rd  
Selectmen

Accepted May 2, 1822.

Recorded by Jonathan Perham, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 48 and 49).



Book T

(Isaac Chamberlain Road)

Book T  
Page 211

Laid out April 7, 1824.

Laid out for the use of the town of Chelmsford a town way as follows, viz:

Beginning at the end of the wall south of the gate about twenty rods north of the dwelling house of Isaac Chamberlain, Jr., thence running easterly about fifty rods to the Middlesex Turnpike to a stake and stones about six feet south of the bars in the fence on the west side of said Turnpike. Said way to be two rods wide and to lie on the north side of said course.

Caleb Abbott  
Nathaniel Wright - Selectmen

April 7, 1824

In legal Town Meeting on the sixth day of May, 1824, it was voted that the Town accept and approve of the above said way.

A True Record

Attest: Joel Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book page 49).



Laid out December 30, 1826

We, the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of said town a town way as follows, viz:

Beginning at a white oak stump on the southerly side of the road leading from Mrs. Phebe Stevens' to Mr. Jonas Spaulding's at land of Alpheus Spaulding, then through said Alpheus Spaulding's land southerly to the road leading from Chelmsford to Westford and across said road to a stake and stones by land of Ira and Benjamin Spaulding; then continuing the same course through land of the said Ira and Benjamin Spaulding to a chestnut tree, marked, by land of said Alpheus Spaulding; then the same course through said Alpheus Spaulding's land to a small tree, marked, by land of said Ira and Benjamin Spaulding; then the same course through land of said Ira and Benjamin Spaulding to a stake by land of Joseph Chamberlain; then through said Chamberlain's land the same course, except some small variations which are made by marked trees until it intersects the town road leading from Aaron Chamberlain's to the road leading from Chelmsford to Westford near Alpheus Spaulding's. To be two rods wide and to lie on the westerly side of said course. And we agreed with the owners of the land over which said road passes for their damages as follows: The said Alpheus Spaulding released all the damages for laying said road through his land 57 rods. And the said Ira and Benjamin Spaulding released all the damages for laying the road through their land 90 rods. And to the said Joseph Chamberlain \$10.00 (ten dollars) to be paid by the said Town of Chelmsford before said road is opened for all damages on his land 100 rods. And we allowed the owners of said land two months to take off the



wood and timber standing and growing thereon. Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a publick town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this thirteenth day of December AD 1826.

Alpheus Spaulding  
Charles Blood  
Ephraim Adams - Selectmen

In Town Meeting May 1, 1828: The foregoing town way was duly accepted by the town and ordered to be recorded.

Attest: Joel Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 50 and 51).



Laid out  
11/1/1828

We, the subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of said Town, a Town way as follows:

Beginning at a Stake about four rods north of Esekial Byam's store at land of John Bateman, then through said Bateman's land, north  $45^{\circ}$  East to land of Bateman and Byam - then continuing the same course through land of said Bateman and Byam to land of Jephthah Parker - then continuing the same course thru' land of said Parker to land of John Harwood - then continuing the same course thro' land of said Harwood 81 rods to land of Henry Byam - then continuing the same course through land of said Byam to land of Samuel Parkhurst - then continuing the same course through land of said Parkhurst 20 rods to land of Zacheus Wright - then continuing the same course through land of said Wright to the road East of William Byam's - then across said road to land of the heirs of Robert Foster - then continuing the same course thro' land of the said heirs 27 rods to land of William Byam - then continuing the same course through land of said Byam to land of Betsey Foster - then continuing the same course through the said Betsey's land 40 rods to land of Elias Sweetser - then continuing the same course through said Sweetser's land to land of Sewall Parkhurst - thence continuing the same course thru' land of said Parkhurst 50 rods to land of William Reed - then continuing the same course through land of said Reed to land of Dorcas Weld - then continuing the same course through land of said Dorcas to land of Ephraim Warren - then continuing through land of said Warren 43 rods to land of Joel Adams, Esq., then through land of said Adams to land of Joseph Warren - then through land of said Warren 37 rods until it



comes to the road in front of the house of Joel Adams, Esq. on Saw Pit Hill.

And we agreed with the owners of the land over which said way passes for their damages as follows: The said John Bateman, Ezekiel Byam, Jephthah Parker, Henry Byam, Ascheus Wright, William Byam, Elias Sweetser, Willard Reed and Joel Adams release all the damages for laying out said road through their land. The road runs through land of Joseph Warren 37 rods, Ephraim Warren 43 rods, Samuel Parkhurst 20 rods, Sewall Parkhurst 50 rods, Betsey Foster 40 rods, heirs of Robert Foster 27 rods and John Harwood 81 rods, which the said town will have to pay for. And we allowed the several owners of the land aforesaid two months to take off the wood and timber standing and growing thereon. Which said road is hereby reported to the Town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded, is forever after to be known as a publick Town Way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 1st day of November AD 1828.

Alpheus Spaulding  
Charles Blood  
Ephraim Adams - Selectmen

In Town Meeting November 3, 1828: The foregoing way was approved of and accepted by the Town on certain conditions as mentioned in their vote and recorded.

By Joel Adams, Town Clerk

(For Conditions see Book W, page 340).

(Original book pages 51 and 52).



Laid out August, 1829.

We, the subscribers, a Committee chosen by the Town to examine the road in front of Mr. William Byam's house and report on the expediency of widening the same have attended to that duty and would submit the following report, viz:

That it is necessary that said road should be widened and that we have laid out said widening as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of land of Zacheus Wright and running westerly on land of Samuel Parkhurst to the northeast corner of Henry Byam's land. Being one rod wide in the center or widest place, and running to a point at each end. We estimated the damage of the land of Samuel Parkhurst at twelve dollars which Mr. William Byam agrees to pay provided the Town move the said wall and widen the road. All of which is submitted to the consideration of the Town by

Alpheus Spaulding  
Otis Adams  
John Y. Farwell - Committee

Accepted the above widening August 17, 1829.

Recorded by Joel Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book page 53).



Not before  
Recorded

(BEDFORD ROAD)  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, MIDDLESEX ss

Laid out  
12/6/1822

At a Court of Sessions begun and holden at Cambridge within and for the County of Middlesex on the first Tuesday of January being the seventh day of said month AD 1823.

By the Hon. Joseph Lock Esq. Chief Justice  
Abiel Heywood ( Esquires Associate Justices of said Court  
Isaac Fisk )

And now the Committee appointed at the last term of this Court to lay out an highway from Beaver brook Bridge near Chelmsford Meeting House to the Meeting House in Bedford, on the Petition of Thomas Spaulding and others, make their report on the warrant to them directed as follows:-  
"We the subscribers to whom the foregoing warrant is directed on the twenty eighth day of November last, gave notice to the Town Clerks of Chelmsford, Billerica and Bedford, that we should meet at Reed's Tavern in said Chelmsford on Friday the sixth day of December then next at nine o'clock in the forenoon to perform the duty assigned us in said warrant. And on the third day of said December we also notified the following persons of said proposed Meeting to wit: James Pitts, as agent for William Stoddard Bridge; Samuel Stevens for himself and as Agent for Zabes Weld and his wife, Joseph Warren, Joseph Putnam, Jonathan Parker the second, Daniel Parker, Elias Sweetser, John Spaulding, Joel Adams for himself and as attorney for the Petitioners; Jonas Parker, Benoni Spaulding, Thomas Spaulding, Samuel Brown, Josiah Crosby Esqr, Lucy Foster, Henry Bridge as guardian of Joseph Hill, a minor, Mary Hill, Joel Fitch as guardian of Anna Hill; Jonathan Hill and David Hill, minors; John Stearns, Job Hill, Zebidiah Rogers, Simeon Stearns and on the 5th days of said December we gave notice of said meeting to Jonathan



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Bedford Road (continued)  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss  
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Parker 3rd, and on the 6th day of said December we met according to said notice and the said town of Billerica by Marshall Preston, Esq., and Capt. William Richardson - and the town of Bedford by John Merriam and William Webber, Esquires and the town of Chelmsford by Joel Adams and Samuel Stevens, Esqrs and Capt. John Butterfield appeared and The Petitioners also appeared by Joel Adams their attorney, and the following persons also appeared, to wit: William S. Bridge by James Pitts; Jabez Weld and his wife by Samuel Stevens, Esqr., Samuel Stevens for himself, Joseph Warren, Joseph Putnam, Jonathan Parker 3rd, Jonathan Parker 2nd, David Parker, Elias Sweetser, John Spalding, Joel Adams for himself and Jonas Parker, Thomas Spaulding, Samuel Brown, Henry Bridge guardian as aforesaid, Joel Fitch guardian as aforesaid, John Stearns, Job Hill, Zebediah Rogers and Simeon Stearns - And having been first duly Sworn as appears by the foregoing certificates we proceeded to locate and complete said highway as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at the Northeast corner of Beaver brook bridge in said Chelmsford and thence running southeasterly through land of William Stoddard Bridge and through lands of Jabez Weld and his wife, and through the garden of Samuel Stevens to the west gate post in front of said Stevens house, thence on the eastern side of the old road as the fence now stands to the Northwest corner of Joseph Warren's land - thence to the Northwest corner of Joseph Putnam's scider-mill house over land of said Warren and land of said Putnam - thence to a Stake and Stones at the eastern side of the old road about 17 rods South of the house of Jonathan Parker 3rd, over lands of said Putnam and lands of



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Bedford Road (continued)  
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Jonathan Parker 3rd, thence on the eastern side of the old road to a stake and Stones near a marked apple tree and nearly opposite the house of Jonathan Parker 2nd. Thence through the orchard of Jonathan Parker 2nd and land of Daniel Parker to a Stake and Stones near said Daniel's Barn. Thence on the eastern boundary of said road to the southwest corner of said Daniel's cider-mill-house - thence through land of said Daniel crossing the old road and then through land of Elias Sweetser (which was lately owned by Sarah Adams) and again crossing the old road to a marked apple tree in land of Deacon John Spalding - thence through said John Spaulding's land to a Stake and Stones at the wall near the Brook - thence to two small white oaks marked standing on the East side of a road lately laid out by the Selectmen of Chelmsford over land of Sherebiah Spalding and others at a bend in said road on the north side of a hill. Thence on the East side of the same road as the fence now stands to a Stake and Stones at the end of the wall a little north of River-Meadow-Brook - thence over said brook to the Southwest corner of Deacon John Spalding's Barn on the hill - thence to a heap of stones on the hill on the East side of the same road at the termination thereof at Billerica line.

Thence over land of T. Spalding and over land late of the heirs of Isaac Barron and land of Benoni Spalding to a young white oak tree marked on the west side of a new road - thence to the northwest corner of Thos. Spalding's land at the Rangeway Road - thence to an apple tree marked in an old town road - thence to the corner of the wall in Thomas Spalding's pasture; thence as said wall stands to the end of



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Bedford Road (continued)  
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said wall at the bars - thence to the northwest corner of said Thos. Spalding's cider-mill-house;- thence to an oak tree, marked, near a great rock in front of said Thomas' house; thence about 18 rods to a Stake and Stones at the wall; thence to a Stake and stones at the corner of the wall about 29 rods at land of Samuel Brown (lately owned by the heirs of Isaac Barron, deceased). Thence as the wall stands about 23 rods to large apple tree, marked, in said Barron's land - thence as the wall stands to the corner of said Barron's field near an old road leading to his house;- thence crossing said road to the corner of the wall at land of Josiah Crosby Esqr.:- thence through said Crosby's land (which was lately owned by Benjamin Russell) and crossing the old road to a Stake and Stones at the corner of the wall on said old road;- thence a few feet over land of said Crosby and then over land of said Brown (part of which was lately owned by Francis Kidder and part by Rebecca Kittridge) and crossing said old road again to a Stake and Stones at the wall which enclosed land of Lucy Foster;- thence to a Stake and Stones in the fence near a large sharp rock;- thence about 37 rods to Maple tree, marked; thence turning a little westerly and running about 17 rods to a Small white oak tree, marked;- thence turning a little more westerly and running about 10 rods to a Small Maple, marked; thence turning a little more westerly and running about 25 rods to a Stake and Stones in an old fence near a white oak stump;- thence to a small pine, marked, on the southwest side of a ledge of rocks;-thence about 10 rods to a Stake and Stones near a small pitch pine stump;- thence to a Stake and Stones at the foot of the hill;



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(BEDFORD ROAD) (continued)  
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thence turning more westwardly and running about 15 rods to two small black oaks growing out of a large stump in the wall which encloses land of Lucy Foster. Thence turning more eastwardly and running about 6 rods to a stake and stones at the south end of a pair of bars; thence to a stake and stones in the wall in front of Lucy Foster's house; thence to a stake and stones in the wall near a large rock about 29 rods from Hill's Bridge; thence to a stake and stones at the northwest corner of the stone of said Bridge; thence on the northeast side of said stone and of said bridge to a stake and stones about six rods southerly from the south end of said bridge; thence up the lane to a yellow oak tree, marked, just within the wall which encloses land of Joseph Hill, a minor; thence through land of said minor and land owned by common by Mary Hill and three minors, to wit Anne Hill, Jonathan Hill and David Hill; and through lands of John Stearns and lands of Job Hill to a stake and stones at the southwest corner of Elijah B. Hill's land; thence to a large apple tree, marked, in land of Zebediah Rogers near the foot of the hill; thence about nine rods to a stake and stones on the side of the hill; thence to a stake and stones at the corner of the wall on the hill at Bedford line; thence over lands of said Rogers and land of Simeon Stearns and crossing the road from Billerica to Bedford to a stake and stones at the wall on the east side of the same road near an old apple tree in the land of Sampson Spalding.

And having thus located said road thus far and being unable to complete the same at that time we adjourned our meeting and gave notice thereof to all persons present till this thirty-first day of December AD 1822 at 9 of the clock in the forenoon at the house of William Porter in Bedford and the time,

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to wit, on or before the 18th day of December, instant, we gave notice of said adjourned meeting to John Fitch, Stephen Lane, Jonathan Lane for himself and as agent for the heirs of Jonathan Lane, deceased; and also to Elijah Stearns, Esquire; and on the said thirty-first day of December at the house and place aforesaid we again met and the following persons appeared, to wit; John Fitch, by his agent Moses Fitch, Jr., Stephen Lane and Elijah Stearns. We then proceeded to complete said highway and to finish the location thereof as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a stake and stones last mentioned and thence running southerly on the eastern boundary of the road leading from Billerica to Bedford as the wall stands to a stake and stones by land of John Fitch; thence through land of said Fitch to a large apple tree, marked, a little north of his house; thence to a large rock a little south of said Fitch's house; thence to a stake and stones at a large stone in the wall on the east side of the old road by land of Stephen Lane; thence about 24 rods through land of said Lane to a stake and stones at land of the heirs of Jonathan Lane, deceased; and thus westerly and southerly on land of said heirs to a stake and stones near a large loose rock at the land of said heirs; thence as the wall runs on the east side of said road to a large rock near the barn of said heirs; the wall on the west side of the old road to remain as it is for the western boundary between the two last mentioned bounds; thence from the rock last mentioned, crossing the old road obliquely to an apple tree, marked, opposite the house of the widow Hannah Lane; thence crossing said road again obliquely to a stake and stones at the wall on the east side of said road by land of said heirs of Jonathan Lane some rods north of a brook; thence as the eastern boundary of said old road runs to the northwest



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corner of a wood house owned by Stephen Lane. All the lines aforesaid in Chelmsford, Billerica and Bedford are straight lines except otherwise mentioned and form the eastern boundary of said highway which is laid out thus far three rods in width except otherwise mentioned. And we have further located said highway as follows:

Beginning at a stake and stones at the wall on the west side of said old road directly opposite the corner of the wood-house aforesaid and running on the west side of said old road as the wall runs to a stake and stones on the west side of the road at land of Joel Fitch opposite a pair of bars. Said road to be three rods wide on the east side of the line last described. Thence on the west bounds of the old road to a stake and stones at a large rock a little north of the barn of Oliver Pollard. This last line described to be the western boundary of said highway which is to extend eastward as far as the wall on the eastern side. Thence in a straight line through land of Elijah Stearns, Esqr., to a stake and stones at the corner of his land. This line to be the western boundary of said highway which is to extend eastward therefrom to the eastern boundary of the old road. And the remainder of said highway to Bedford Meeting House is to coincide with said old road and is to be bounded on both sides by the boundaries thereof.

And we are of the opinion that none of the persons aforesaid over whose lands the said highway passes will sustain any damages except Jabez Weld and his wife, Joseph Warren, Joseph Putnam, Jonathan Parker 2nd, Elias Sweetser, John Spaulding, Josiah Crosby, Joseph Hill, Mary Hill, Anna Hill, Jonathan Hill, David Hill, Zebediah Rogers, Simeon Stearns, John Fitch, Stephen Lane and Elijah Stearns and for them we have estimated damages as follows, to wit:



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For Jabez Weld and his wife for their lands in Chelmsford	\$150.00
For Joseph Warren for his land in Chelmsford	\$ 50.00
For Joseph Putnam for his land in Chelmsford	\$ 15.00
For Jonathan Parker 2nd for his land in Chelmsford	\$ 40.00
For Elias Sweetser for his land in Chelmsford	\$ 50.00
For John Spalding for his land in Chelmsford	\$ 6.00
For Josiah Crosby for his land in Billerica	\$ 40.00
For Joseph Hill, a minor, his land in Billerica	\$ 80.00
For Mary Hill for her lands in Billerica	\$ 20.00
For Anna Hill, a minor, for her lands in Billerica	\$ 20.00
For Jonathan Hill, a minor, for his lands in Billerica	\$ 20.00
For David Hill, a minor, for his lands in Billerica	\$ 20.00
For Zebediah Rogers for his lands in Billerica	\$ 70.00
and for his lands in Bedford	\$ 60.00
For Simeon Stearns for his lands in Bedford	\$ 90.00
For John Fitch for his lands in Bedford	\$ 18.00
For Stephen Lane for his lands in Bedford	\$ 48.00
For Elijah Stearns for his lands in Bedford	\$ 8.00

And we are of the opinion that three months from the time when this report may be accepted ought to be allowed to the several owners of the lands over which said highway shall pass to take off the wood and timber which may be thereon.

In Testimony of all which we have hereunto set our hands and seals this thirty-first day of December in the year of our Lord 1822.

Josiah Adams	(LS)
Rufus Hosmer	(LS)
Edmund Parker	(LS)
Ebenezer Hobbs	(LS)
Thomas Hubbard	(LS)



And the parties again appear and are heard for and against the acceptance of said report before Justices Heywood and Fisk (the Chief Justice being interested and not sitting in the cause) and said Justices are unable to determine the question of acceptance of said report by reason of their being divided in opinion and thereupon by direction of the Court, the Sheriff assisted by the Clerk selected by lot in manner by law provided, Abner Bartlett, Esqr., one of the Special Justices of this Court to attend in their term to hear and decide on said question. And a summons was thereupon issued to the said Justice Bartlett requiring him to attend in this term for the purpose aforesaid. Who, having been summoned accordingly by his letter addressed to the Justice of this Court and filed of same, informs the Court here that he has heretofore been of counsel for a party litigating the same question and deems it improper for him to adjudicate in this case and therefore declines to attend this Court.

And thereupon Jacob Reeves, Esqr. a Special Justice of this Court and who was designated and attended in this case at the last term being present here and takes his seat with the said Justices Heywood and Fisk and to hear and decide the question aforesaid and the counsel for the respondents object to the legality of these proceedings and to the mode of constituting the Court to decide said question and decline to introduce evidence before them. And the Court here do as aforesaid constituted having fully heard the petitioners in the premises and maturely considered said report, do accept the same, and it is considered by the Court here that the way therein described be and the same is hereby established as and for a publick highway.

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And the Court allow the term of nine months from this twenty-first day of February, 1823, for opening and making the said highway passable. And the term of three months from this twenty-first day of February, 1823, to allow by the Court to the several owners of the land over which said highway passes to take off the wood and timber which may be thereon. And it is ordered by the Court here that the several sums of money so as aforesaid assessed in damages for the owners of land in Chelmsford be paid to them respectively by said Town out of the treasury thereof and in default of such payment after the twenty-first day of October next they may have their warrant of distress for their said respective damages agreeably to the law in such cases made and provided. And it is ordered by the Court here that the several sums of money so as aforesaid assessed in damages for the owners of land in the town of Billerica be paid to them respectively by said town out of the treasury thereof and in default of such payment after the twenty-first day of October next they may have their warrants of distress for their said respective damages agreeably to the law in such case made and provided. And it is also ordered by the Court here that the several sums of money so as aforesaid assessed in damages for the owners of lands in Bedford be paid to them respectively by said town out of the treasury thereof and in default of such payment after the twenty-first day of October next they may have their warrants of distress for their said respective damages agreeably to the law in such case made and provided.

A Copy of Record

Attest: Abraham Biglow, Clerk

Recorded February 22, 1839, by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 54 to 62).



(LOWELL ROAD OVER GOLDEN COVE BROOK)

Not before recorded  
Laid out 9/6/1827

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss

At a Court of Sessions begun and holden at Cambridge within and  
for the County of Middlesex on the first Tuesday of January being the  
first day of said month AD 1828

By the Hon. Joseph Lock, Esquire, Chief Justice  
Abiel Heywood } Esquires, Associate Justices of said Court  
Isaac Fisk }

The Commissioners of Highways for this County make to the Court here  
the following return: "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss: At  
a meeting of the Commissioners of Highway for said County of Middlesex at  
Chelmsford in said County on the twenty-sixth day of September AD 1827,  
Present Caleb Butler, Esq., Chairman, Benjamin F. Varnum, Esqr., Abner  
Wheeler Esq. and David Townsend Esq., Commissioners. On the petition of  
Samuel Bachelder and others for a new highway.

Beginning at the County Road in said Chelmsford near the easterly end  
of Willard Reed's shed and thence running in a northeasterly direction  
over land of said Reed and others to the intersection of the road leading  
from the new bridge over Pentucket Canal with the middle or upper street  
leading from the Hamilton Buildings in Lowell."

All persons and corporations interested in the laying out of such new  
highway, having had due notice of said meeting as will appear by the returns  
annexed, said Commissioners proceeded to view the route proposed for such  
new highway, and having heard the parties interested, it is considered and  
adjudged by said Commissioners that such new highway is of common convenience  
and necessity. And said Commissioners then and there proceeded to lay out  
said highway in two parcels as follows, to wit:

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The first is wholly in said Chelmsford and begins at a stake and stones on the northerly side of the County Road three rods easterly of a willow tree at Willard Reed's shed; thence running northeasterly over said Reed's and a small corner of Otis Bailey's land  $68\frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake and stones at Josiah Fletcher's land; thence in the same direction over the said Josiah's land to a maple tree, marked, at land of William Fletcher and William Fletcher, Jr., being 61 rods; thence a little more northerly over land of said William and William Jr., 30 rods to Middlesex Turnpike and about five rods over said Turnpike to a stake and stones; thence a little more easterly about seven rods over land of said William and William Jr., and 60 rods over land of said Josiah to a stake and stones at the old road on the southerly side of the bridge over Golden Cove Brook. Said highway to be three rods wide and on the northwesterly side of said line and boundaries.

The second piece of said highway is wholly in Lowell and begins at a stake and stones on the northerly side of the old highway near the publick pound; thence running north  $46^{\circ}$  East  $21\frac{1}{2}$  rods over lands of Benjamin Butterfield and Theodore Butterfield to a stake and stones; thence north  $31^{\circ}$  east on land of the same 45 rods; thence on the same course over land of the children and heirs of Ralph Butterfield under the guardianship of Henry Coburn Jr., 67 rods; thence on the same course over land of the proprietor of Locks & Canals on Merrimack River 47 rods and 18 links to a stake and stones on the westerly side of the street leading over the new bridge near the Canal and opposite the end of upper street. Said way to be three rods wide and on the northwesterly side of said line and boundaries.

And it was considered by the said Commissioners that the said two pieces or parcels of highway thus laid out and described be, and they hereby are

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established as and for publick highways. And the space of three months is allowed for the owners of the land over which said roads or highways are laid out from this 26th day of September, AD 1827, to take off and remove their buildings, wood and fences from the same. And the space of fifteen months for constructing and making said highway passable. And it is further considered by said Commissioners that the persons whose names here follow sustain damages by the laying out of said highways in the several sums annexed to their names respectively to be paid to them severally out of the treasury of the said County of Middlesex on or before the twenty-sixth day of February AD 1829.

To: Willard Reed	\$275.00
To: William Fletcher and William, Jr.	\$ 40.00
To: Josiah Fletcher	\$200.00
To: Benjamin Butterfield and Theodore	\$150.00
To: The heirs of Ralph Butterfield under guardianship of Henry Coburn Jr.	\$150.00

and that Otis Bailey and the Proprietors of Locks and Canals on Merrimack River, over whose land said highway is laid out, do not sustain any damages thereby, and they expressly renounce all claims to any remuneration for damages.

Witness the said Commissioners at Chelmsford aforesaid this 26th day of September AD 1827 by Caleb Butler, Chairman.

And the same is here recorded pursuant to the law in such case made and provided by Abraham Biglow, Clerk.

Recorded March 23, 1837, by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 63 to 65).



(GROTON ROAD)

Laid out 11/4/1828

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, holden at Cambridge within and for said county on the first Tuesday of January being the sixth day of said month Anno Domini 1829.

Present: Caleb Butler, Esquire, Chairman  
Augustus Tower  
Benjamin F. Varnum Esquires  
David Townsend

The petition of William Dalrymple and others for a highway from Groton Meeting House to Leach's Iron Works in Chelmsford.

And now the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex make return of their proceedings in the laying out of the highway prayed for in this petition which was adjudged to be of common convenience and necessity at their meeting holden at Concord within and for said County on the third Tuesday of September last, as by the record thereof there entered as at large set forth, which return follows in these words: "Pursuant to the law in such case made and provided the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex having given seasonable notice to all persons and corporations interested of the time and place of their meeting met on the fourth day of November, AD 1828, at Hear's Tavern in Groton and proceeded to lay out the new highway adjudged of common convenience and necessity on the petition of William Dalrymple and others in manner following, to wit:

Said highway is in three several pieces: and the southern boundary line of the first piece begins at a stake and stones on the southerly side of a highway between the house of Major William Dalrymple and Baddercook

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Brook in Groton; thence running S  $75 \frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$  E over lands of Amelia Woods 20 rods to a stake and stones; thence S  $72 \frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$  E over the same 28 rods to a stake and stones; thence S  $62 \frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E over the same and an old highway 17 rods to a stake and stones; thence S  $85^{\circ}$  E on the southerly side of said old road 20 rods to a stake and stones; thence S  $56^{\circ}$  E over said Amelia's land and said old highway 28 rods to an apple tree, marked, near the house of said Amelia; thence S  $33 \frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E over Catherine Wood's dower 30 rods and five links to an elm tree, marked; thence S  $31^{\circ}$  E over said Catherine's dower and lands of Abigail Edes and William Woods 43 rods to a white oak tree, marked; thence S  $53^{\circ}$  E over said William's land  $14 \frac{1}{2}$  rods to a white oak tree, marked; thence S  $44^{\circ}$  E 23 rods to a stake and stones; thence S  $52^{\circ}$  E 12 rods to a pine stump, and S  $55^{\circ}$  E 7 rods over said William's to the center of Cow Pond Brook; thence on the same course 15 rods over Solomon Nutting's land and land of Capt. Jonas Gilson to a stake and stones; thence E 26 rods to a stump and stones; thence S  $87^{\circ}$  E  $20 \frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake and stones and S  $46 \frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$  E 46 rods and 17 links over said Nutting's land to a stake and stones by Major William Dalrymples land; thence S  $44^{\circ}$  E  $30 \frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake and stones; thence S  $52 \frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 19 rods to a stake and stones and S  $62 \frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 11 rods over said Dalrymple's land to a stake and stones at Levi Prescott's land and thence S  $62^{\circ}$  E over said Levi's land  $70 \frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake and stones on the southerly side of an old highway near a small dwelling house of said Prescott; thence S  $86 \frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E over said Levi's land, old highway and land of the heirs of Bulkley Prescott  $61 \frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake and stones on the boundary line between Groton And Westford;

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thence crossing said line into Westford N  $86\frac{1}{2}$  E 18 rods to a stake and stones, N 60 E 19 rods to a stake and stones, N 83 E 14 rods to a stake and stones and N  $89\frac{1}{2}$  E  $5\frac{1}{2}$  rods to land of Alvah Prescott, George Prescott, Ebenezer Prescott and Asa Prescott, tenants in common, and on the same course over said tenant's land 30 rods to a pine tree, marked; thence N  $88\frac{1}{2}$  E over the same and the dower of Eunice Prescott  $39\frac{1}{2}$  rods to a black oak, marked; thence S 77 E over said dower  $27\frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake and stones on the west side of an old highway; thence S  $87\frac{1}{2}$  E  $13\frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake and stones; thence N 76 E 14 rods to a stake and stones and N 65 E 20 rods by said old highway and on lands of Ezekiel Wright to a stake and stones.

This piece of new highway is to be on the northerly side of the above described lines and monuments and to be four rods wide from the westerly side of William Wood's land to the stake and stones mentioned as being 15 rods easterly of the center of Cow Pond Brook and three rods wide in all other parts except at the house belonging to Levi Prescott and the buildings of Ezekiel Wright at which places said house and buildings are to be the northern boundary of said highway.

The northern boundary line of the second piece of said new highway begins at a stake and stones on the northerly side of an old highway a few rods northwesterly of Deacon Caleb Wright's house in Westford; thence runs N 78 E over land of said Wright and of Nathan Wright  $44\frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake and stones on the northerly side of a road. This piece is to be three rods wide and to lie on the Southerly side of said line and monuments.

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The southern boundary line of the third piece of said new highway begins at a stake and stones one foot northerly of the northeast corner of Reuben Wright's barn in Westford; thence runs N 59 E 58 rods to a stake and stones, N 44 E  $14\frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake and stones and N  $54\frac{1}{2}$  E  $53\frac{1}{2}$  rods across an old road and over land of said Reuben to another old road; thence on the same course across the last mentioned road and over land of Timothy Smith 41 rods and 10 links to a stake and stones; thence N  $63\frac{3}{4}$  E 24 rods to a stake and stones, N  $52\frac{1}{2}$  E 14 rods to a stake and stones, N 76 E  $42\frac{3}{4}$  E to a stake and stones, N 73 E 27 rods to a stake and stones and N 56 E 13 rods over said Smith's land to a small white oak, marked; - on the west side of a town road; thence N 79 E  $68\frac{1}{2}$  rods across said road and over lands of Timothy Cummings and of William Chandler and Benjamin Osgood to a white birch, marked, near Flushing Pond; thence N  $48\frac{1}{2}$  E  $20\frac{1}{2}$  rods over said William and Benjamin's land and land of the heirs of Jonathan Keyes to a hemlock tree, marked; thence N  $74\frac{1}{2}$  E 28 rods to a large white pine; thence N 62 E 14 rods to a stake and stones and N  $76\frac{1}{2}$  E 32 rods to a white pine tree; thence N  $87\frac{3}{4}$  E 13 rods and five links over said heirs land and a small corner of Nathan Oliver's land to a maple tree on the south side of an old road; thence N  $83\frac{1}{2}$  E 20 rods over said road to an apple tree, marked; thence N 81 E 47 rods to a white oak tree, marked; thence N 83 E 31 rods to a stake and stones and N  $74\frac{1}{2}$  E 68 rods over said heirs land and 29 rods over Jonathan and Andrew Fletcher's land to a large rock; thence N  $72\frac{3}{4}$  E 128 rods over said Jonathan and Andrew's land

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Samuel Richardson's land, a Mr. Ordway's land (late Mrs. Reed's land), John Fletcher's land and Jonathan Fletcher land to a stake and stones; thence N 60 E 65 rods on said Jonathan's land and Phinehas Whiting's land to a pine tree, marked, on the boundary line between Westford and Chelmsford; thence crossing said line to said Chelmsford N 73 3/4 E 117 1/2 rods over Nathaniel Howard's land, said Whiting's land and land of William Adams, Esquire, to a stake and stones; thence N 67 E on the dividing line between said Adams' land and Nathan Oliver land 34 rods to a stump and stones; thence N 70 E over said Adams' land and a small corner of Zebulon Parker's land, an old road and Jemima Spalding's land 104 rods to a pine tree, marked, on the southerly side of an old road; thence N 81 E 26 rods to a stake and stones; thence N 59 E 32 rods to a stake and stones and N 43 E 23 rods over said old road, land of said Adams and a corner of Leach's Pond to a stake and stones; thence N 81 E 56 rods over land of Jonas Pierce to a stake and stones; thence N 69 E 17 rods over said Pierce's land and old road to a white oak on Samuel Dunn's land; thence N 75 E 33 3/4 rods over said Dunn's land to a pine tree by the old road; thence S 80 E 18 rods to a sixth front step of said Adams' dwelling house in said Chelmsford.

This piece of new highway is to be three rods wide and on the northerly side of said line and monuments. And all of these several pieces of new highway are to be made and constructed in manner following, to wit:

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Twenty-four feet in width thereof to be rendered suitable and convenient for the travel of beasts and the passage of carts (wheel carriages) and other vehicles; all small inequalities to be levelled and greater rises and hills to be reduced to an angle not exceeding four degrees with the horizon. Good and sufficient stone bridges and culverts constructed over all brooks, streams, watercourses and low places where necessary. All meadows, swamps and low grounds to be raised at least two feet in the whole width and the middle in all places to be 18 inches crowning. No ditches to be made at the sides unless where railed. Railing to be placed in all steep and dangerous places. The slopes on the sides to be reduced to an angle of 45 degrees with a perpendicular line. And all to be done in a good faithful and workman-like manner. And the whole of said highway as above described is to be constructed, finished and completed to the acceptance of said County Commissioners by the inhabitants of said towns of Groton, Westford and Chelmsford respectively the portions thereof by each laying and being within their several towns, by the first day of January AD 1830. And said Commissioners have estimated the damages to be suffered and sustained by the persons over whose lands said highway is laid out as aforesaid to be as follows, to wit:

Amelia Woods	\$70.00	Asa Prescott	\$ 5.00
Catherine Woods	20.00	Alvah Prescott	10.00
Abigail Edes	15.00	George Prescott	10.00
Oliver Rice	6.00	Ebenezer Prescott	5.00
Jonas Gilson	26.00	Eunice Prescott	38.00
Solomon Nutting	53.20	Reuben Wright	115.00
William Dalrymple	30.00	Timothy Cummings	10.00
Levi Prescott	75.00	William Chandler and	
Heirs of Bulkley Prescott	43.00	Benjamin Osgood	5.00

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Heirs of Jonathan Keyes	\$25.00	Jonathan Fletcher	\$25.00
Andrew and Jonathan		Jemima Spalding	3.00
Fletcher	20.00	Jonas Pierce	25.00
Mr. Ordway	15.00	Samuel Dunn	10.00
John Fletcher	41.50		

And William Wood, Ezekiel Wright, Nathan Wright, Caleb Wright, Timothy Smith and William Adams appeared and relinquished their claim for any damages they might sustain by the laying out of said highway.

And in the opinion of said Commissioners, neither they, nor Samuel Richardson, Nathaniel Howard and Phinehas Whiting would suffer or sustain any damage thereby. And all the above named persons are allowed until the first day of April AD 1829 to remove their wood, timber, trees, etc., from the premises.

And said County Commissioners have estimated the expenses of making and constructing said highway as follows to wit: That portion thereof in the town of Groton at \$1,029.65. Those portions thereof in the town of Westford at \$1,514.72. That portion thereof in the town of Chelmsford at \$587.20.

Caleb Butler, Chairman of the Commissioners, being interested in the above laying out so far as the same extended in the town of Groton, did not act in the location of the aforesaid highway. In witness whereof said Commissioners have hereunto set hands, Augustus Tower, B. F. Varnum, David Townsend, County Commissioners."

And it is considered by the Commissioners here present excepting the

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Chairman, who being interested did not act in this case, that the highway in said return described be and the same is hereby established as and for a publick highway, and that the same be recorded to the end and it may hereafter be known as such.

And it is further ordered by said Commissioners that the several sums of money so as aforesaid awarded to the persons for their damages by reason of the premises be paid to them respectively out of the County Treasury on the first day of June next.

A Copy of Record: Abraham Biglow, Clerk

Recorded March 23, 1837, by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 66 through 71).



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(ACTON ROAD)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, MIDDLESEX ss.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Concord within and for said County on the second Tuesday of May, being the tenth day of said month Anno Domini 1831:

Present: Caleb Butler, Esquire, Chairman  
Augustus Tower  
Benjamin F. Varnum Esquires  
David Townsend

The petition of the inhabitants of Acton for a new highway from Ezekiel Byam's store<sup>\*</sup> in Chelmsford, through Westford and Carlisle to Acton Common.

This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Concord aforesaid on the third Tuesday of September last as by the record thereof and the order of notice thereon, there entered as at large set forth and thence said petition was continued to the last term holden at Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January last, when and where said Commissioners did adjudge that the new highway in said petition prayed for was of common convenience and necessity and that the same should be laid out according to the law in such case made and provided. And thence said petition was continued to this time for a return of the proceedings of said Commissioners in the premises. And now said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises which return follows in these words:

"Pursuant to the law in such case made and provided, the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex having given seasonable notice to all persons and corporations interested of the time and place of their

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meeting met at the house of Silas Jones in Acton on the first day of April AD 1831, and proceeded to lay out two pieces of new highway between Ezekiel Byam's store in Chelmsford and the town road near the house of Jonathan Davis in Acton as prayed for in the petition of the inhabitants of Acton and adjudged by said Commissioners to be of common convenience and necessity, as follows, to wit:

The first piece commences at a stake and stones on the easterly side the old road and southerly side of Jonathan Davis' dooryard in Acton and thence running north  $18\frac{1}{2}$  E 4 rods over said dooryard and 54 rods more over said Davis' land to a pitch pine tree, marked; thence N  $25\frac{1}{2}$  E 75 rods over said Davis' land to a stake and stones; thence N  $17\frac{3}{4}$  E 18 rods over said Davis' land (the highway on this distance to extend partly over land of William Dupee)  $35\frac{1}{2}$  rods over land of John Nickles, 28 rods over land of David Parlin, 53 rods over land of Ezra Carter and 12 rods over land of Hannah, the wife of Parmeter to a stake and stones; thence N  $37^{\circ}$  E 2 rods over said Hannah's land and 34 rods over Cyrus Heald's land to a stake and stones; thence N  $33^{\circ}$  E 6 rods over said Heald's land and 35 rods over land of Susanna Hutchinson to the line of Carlisle.

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Thence in Carlisle on the same course and over the same land 13 rods to the line of Westford.

Thence in Westford on the same course and over the same land 42 rods to an old road; 3 rods over said old road,  $7\frac{1}{2}$  rods over land of Martha Pool and  $6\frac{1}{2}$  rods over an old road to a stake and stones  $1\frac{1}{2}$  foot easterly of said Martha's wood shed. Said highway to be three rods wide the whole

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distance, on the easterly side of said lines and monuments, and also to be three rods wide on the westerly side of the line from the stake and stones mentioned on Hannah Parmeter's land a distance of six rods northerly from said stake, making it six rods wide for this distance for the purpose of taking gravel to build and amend said highway.

The second piece begins at a stake and stones on the easterly side of an old road in Westford by land of Tilly Flint; thence running N  $18^{\circ}$  E 40 rods over said Flint's land, 4 rods over an old road and 4 rods more over said Flint's land to a stake and stones; thence N  $31\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 2 rods over an old road and 58 rods over land of John Boyanton to a stake and stones; thence N  $20\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 16 rods over lands of said Boyanton and 29 rods over lands of Thomas Sawtell to a stake and stones; thence N  $23\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$  E  $12\frac{1}{2}$  rods over land of said Sawtell, 79 rods crossing the line between Chelmsford and Westford over land of John and Thomas Hutchins, and 55 rods over land of Oliver Hutchins to a stake and stones; thence N  $52^{\circ}$  E  $16\frac{1}{2}$  rods over lands of Abraham and Stephen Hutchins and 22 rods over land of Ezekiel Byam to a stake and stones; thence N  $62^{\circ}$  E 38 rods over land of Lucy Bateman and 22 rods over land of Lucy and Ezekiel Byam tenants in common to a stake and stones; thence N  $48^{\circ}$  E 58 rods over the same land to a stake and stones; thence N  $41^{\circ}$  E 3 rods over an old road, 40 rods over land of Ezekiel Byam, 26 rods over land of Parker Chamberlain (the highway extending this distance partly over land of James Robbins) 20 rods over land of James Robbins, 54 rods over land of Ezekiel Byam and 10 rods over land of Daniel Proctor to a stake and stones at the road southwesterly of said Byam's store. Said new highway to be three rods wide on the northwesterly side of said lines and monuments throughout the whole, and also to extend one rod in width on the southeasterly side of

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the lines for the distance of 8 rods southerly and 4 rods northerly of the stake and stones mentioned on John Boyanton's land, making it 4 rods wide this distance of 12 rods. The said Ezekiel Byam and Lucy Bateman are to have the privilege to make a dry bridge under the direction of said Commissioners, and Oliver Hutchins and James Robbins are to have the same privilege in their respective lands. And it is ordered by said Commissioners that the inhabitants of the towns of Acton, Carlisle, Westford and Chelmsford shall on or before the tenth day of May, which will be in the year of our Lord 1832, construct and finish the parcels of this highway which lie within the limits of their towns respectively in manner following, to wit:

Twenty-four feet in the width thereof to be rendered safe and convenient for the passage of all wheel carriages and other vehicles thereon; all small inequalities to be levelled, and greater rises and hills to be reduced to an angle not exceeding four degrees on the horizon; the banks on the outside of the trenches not to exceed  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon; the low and swampy lands to be raised two feet above the natural surface and these and all sandy or loamy soils to be then covered with a least six inches in depth of gravel, and crowned by a regularly curved surface 18 inches higher in the middle than upon the sides. Good and permanent stone sluiceways to be constructed in all places where necessary. And all to be done in workmanlike manner and to the acceptance of said County Commissioners. And the space of six months from the date hereof is allowed to owners of land over which said new highway is laid out to remove their wood, trees and fences therefrom. And said Commissioners, having heard the said owners of land by themselves or their attorneys (agents) have estimated the damages sustained by reason of laying out



said highway as follows, to wit:

Jonathan Davis	\$250.00	Oliver Hutchins	\$ 45.00
John Nickles	62.00	Abraham & Stephen	
Ezra Carter	10.00	Hutchins	5.00
Hannah Parmeter	5.00	Lucy Bateman	60.00
Cyrus Heald	20.00	Lucy Bateman and	
Susanna Hutchinson	80.00	Ezekiel Byam	75.00
Martha Pool	18.00	Ezekiel Byam	190.00
Tilly Flint	60.00	Parker Chamberlain	25.00
John Boyanton	100.00	James Robbins	20.00
Homer Sawtell	30.00	Daniel Proctor	15.00
John and Thomas			
Hutchins	80.00		

And William Dupee and Davis Parlin claim no damages. And said County Commissioners estimate the expenses of constructing that part of the way which is in Acton at the sum of six hundred dollars \$600.00

That part of the way which is in the town of Carlisle at the sum of thirteen dollars \$13.00

That part which lies in the town of Westford at the sum of five hundred and nineteen dollars \$519.00

That part within the town of Chelmsford at the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars \$550.00

Witness the said Commissioners this first day of April AD 1831.  
Caleb Butler, B. F. Varnum, David Townsend and Augustus Tower"

And it is ordered by the Commissioners here present that the highway in said return described be and it is hereby established as and for a public highway and that the same be recorded, to the end, the same may

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hereafter be known as such. And it is further ordered by the Commissioners that the said sums of money so as aforesaid estimated as damages by reason of the premises, to the several persons above named, be paid to them respectively out of the County treasury, on the tenth day of May next.

A copy of Record      Abraham Biglow, Clerk

Recorded March 24, 1837, by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 72-76).



Laid out 6/14/1831

We the subscribers, Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford having been directed by the town to lay out anew for the use of the town a townway as follows:

Beginning at the Middlesex Turnpike at a stake and stones on land of Charles H. Barbour and running a southeasterly course through said Barbour's land to a black oak, marked, with stones about it, on land of Richard Faulkner; thence southeasterly on said Faulkner's land to a rock in the top of Drum Hill on said Faulkner's land; thence bearing more southerly on said Faulkner's land to a stake and stones a few feet east of a white oak tree which is marked on said Faulkner's land; thence continuing a southerly course on land of Gideon Whittemore to a small maple tree, marked, on said Whittemore's land; thence southerly on said Whittemore's land to a stone set in the ground in the edge of the meadows or swamp; thence southerly on said Whittemore's land to a white oak tree, marked, in the edge of the upland; thence running southerly on land of Francis Richardson to the end of the wall on land of the heirs of the late Henry Spaulding 3rd; thence continuing nearly the same course on the wall as it now stands on land of the said heirs to the road leading from Widow Jemima Spalding's the head of Middlesex Canal.

The aforesaid road to be three rods wide and to lie on the westerly side of said course and as the aforesaid road had been formerly laid out, but not to be found on the town records, we presumed that the owners of the land had been remunerated for damages. We have, therefore, awarded nothing to the owners of the land over which said road passes, as we made but slight

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alterations from the now travelled way. Which said road is reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a publick town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 14th day of June AD 1831

Otis Adams  
Samuel Burbank  
Samuel Davis - Selectmen

Recorded by Joel Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book page 77).



Laid out 3/22/1831

We, the subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of the said town an alteration in the town way as follows:

Beginning at a stake and stones on the easterly side of the road leading from Rev. John Peckins in Chelmsford to Concord at land of said Peckins and running southerly shaving a corner of said Peckins land 11 rods to land of Oliver Hutchins; then southerly through land of said Hutchins to land of Ruth Pelsue 16½ rods; then continuing the same course to a stake and stones east of said Hutchins' house; then taking a more westerly course to a stake and stones by the road first mentioned at a corner of land of Jephthah Parker shaving land of said Ruth Pelsue 19½ rods.

The road aforesaid to be three rods wide and to be on the westerly side of said course. And we agreed with the owners of land as follows: Rev. John Peckins relinquishes his claim for damages if the town or any individual will move or make the wall. Oliver Hutchins released all damages for laying said road through his land. And the said Ruth Pelsue refused to set any price on her land. And we allowed the several owners of the land aforesaid two months to take off the wood and timber standing or growing thereon. Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded, is forever after to be known as a publick town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 22nd day of March AD 1831,

Otis Adams  
John T. Farwell - Selectmen

Accepted November 14th, 1831.

Recorded by Joel Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book page 78).



Laid out 10/13/1833

We the subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford have laid out for the use of said town a straightening in the town way as follows:

Beginning at the center of the old road between the houses of Abijah Spaulding and David Perham west of a stake by the wall of Capt. Josiah Fletcher and running easterly over old road to said stake two rods; thence easterly through said Fletcher's land 5 rods to land of William Fletcher and William Fletcher, Jr.; thence continuing the same course through said Fletchers' land 71 rods to a stake and stones by the before mentioned road; thence from said Fletchers' land the same course to the center of the old road  $2\frac{1}{2}$  rods.

To be  $2\frac{1}{2}$  rods wide and to lie on the northerly side of said course. But we have not made any agreement with the owners of the land over which said road passes for damages for laying out said road through their land. Which said road is reported to the town for their acceptance, and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a publick highway.

Dated at Chelmsford this 13th day of October AD 1833.

Otis Adams  
Samuel Burbank  
Jonathan M. Reed - Selectmen

The above report after being referred to a Committee was accepted by the town in legal Town Meeting on the 3rd day of March 1834, and ordered to be recorded. (Page 168).

Attest Joel Adams, Town Clerk

(Original book page 79)



Laid out 11/13/1834

We the subscribers, Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford have this day laid out for the use of the said town a town way as follows viz:

Beginning at a stake and stones being the corner bound between land of William Dane and Jonathan Parker east of the house of said Dane and running northerly on an old road and land of said Dane 13 rods to a stake and stones; thence taking a more westerly direction and running on said Dane's land 5 rods to the road leading from Middlesex Village to George Worcesters. The same to be two rods wide and to be on the easterly side of said course. And said Dane agrees to give his land and make the road in consideration of the discontinuance by the town of the old road leading from the road from Middlesex Village to George Worcester's passing on the south side of said Dane's house to Henry Coburn's. The same (above new road) when accepted and recorded by the town is to be considered as a publick town way.

Dated in Chelmsford this 13th day of November 1834.

Otis Adams  
Samuel Burbank - Selectmen

In Town Meeting December 15, 1834: Voted to accept the above report of the Selectmen and that the same be recorded and the same was recorded by Joel Adams, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 80).



Laid out 4/18/1836

We the subscribers Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford have laid out for the use of the said town a town way as follows:

Beginning first and widening the old road leading from David Dutton's to Lowell at a large stone east of said Dutton's house near a pair of bars at land of said Dutton; thence crossing Flaggy-Meadow-Brook to a white oak tree, marked, by said road at land of David Perham. Secondly, a new piece of road beginning on the southerly side of said old road at a stake and stones at land of David Perham; then through said Perham's land to a stake; thence continuing until it intersects the road aforesaid at a birch tree, marked. To be three rods wide and to lie on the northerly said course. And we agreed with the owners of the land over which said widening and said way passes for their damages as follows:

To the said David Perham \$50, to be paid by the said town of Chelmsford before said road is opened. And the said Dutton released all damages for widening said road through his land. And we allowed the several owners of the land aforesaid two months to take off the wood standing and growing thereon.

Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever to be known as a publick town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 18th day of April AD 1836

Benjamin Chamberlain  
Edmund Swett - Selectmen

The above report after having been referred to a Committee was accepted by the town in legal Town Meeting on the 12th day of November AD 1836, and ordered to be recorded. And was recorded November 21, 1836, by Eli F. Webster, Town Clerk.



Not before  
Recorded

(OSGOOD ROAD from Westford to Lowell)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS - MIDDLESEX ss.

Laid out  
11/13/1835

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex at Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January being the            day of said month AD 1836.

Present: Caleb Butler, Esquire, Chairman; David Townsend, Abner Wheeler, Esquires.

The Petition of Jacob Osgood and others for a new highway from Alpheus Spaulding's in Chelmsford to Robert Spaulding's shop in Middlesex Village.

This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge in said County on the first Tuesday of January last, as by the record thereof, and the order of notice thereon then entered is at large set forth, said thence petition was continued to the next meeting of said Commissioners holden at Concord in said County on the second Tuesday of May last, and to the meeting in September last when and where the said Commissioners did adjudge that the highway prayed for in said petition was of common convenience and necessity and ordered that the same be laid out and made accordingly; and said petition was continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises, which return follows in these words:

"Pursuant to their former proceedings on the petition of Jacob Osgood and others, and to the law in such case made and provided, the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, having given all persons and corporations interested therein seasonable notice as the law directs, met at the house of Isaiah Spaulding in Chelmsford on the thirteenth day of

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November AD 1835, and David Townsend, one of said Commissioners being absent and unable to attend, William Livingston, Esquire, one of the Special Commissioners was notified and attended; and said Commissioners having so met proceeded to lay out the alterations and pieces of new highway prayed for in said petition, which had been adjudged of common convenience and necessity, and ascertained the courses, and established the boundaries thereof as follows viz:

FIRST: A widening beginning on the north side of the old road at a stake and stones on Asa Stevens' land; thence running N  $60\frac{1}{2}$  E  $7\frac{1}{2}$  rods on said Stevens' land to a rock in the wall. This line to be the northerly boundary of said highway thus widened, the southern boundary remaining unaltered.

SECOND: A widening and piece of new highway beginning on the south side of the old road at a stake and stones, thence running N  $53\frac{1}{2}$  E  $7\frac{1}{2}$  rods over land of Asa Stevens to a stake and stones. This line to be the southerly boundary of the highway thus far widened; thence N 68 E 43 rods over said Stevens' land and one rod and 10 links over Isaiah Spaulding's land to a stake and stones at the old road. This line to be the southern boundary of a piece of new highway, the same to be three rods wide on the northerly side thereof.

THIRD: A widening on the north side beginning at a stake and stones easterly of Isaiah Spaulding's buildings; thence running N 68 E 12 rods over said Spaulding's land to a stake and stones; thence N  $63\frac{1}{2}$  E 36 rods over the same to a stake and stones; thence N  $67\frac{1}{2}$  E 16 rods over the same to a stake and stones at the old road; these lines and monuments to be the northerly side of the highway thus widened. The southerly boundaries remaining unaltered.

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FOURTH: A widening on the north side beginning at a stake and stones on land of Josiah Richardson; thence running N  $62\frac{1}{2}$  E 28 rods over said Richardson's land to a stake and stones at the road. This line to be the northerly boundary of said highway thus widened.

FIFTH: A widening on the south side of the highway opposite the last above mentioned widening beginning at a stake and stones on said Richardson's land; thence N 66 E 22 rods and 9 links over said Richardson's land to a stake and stones at the road. This line to be the southerly boundary of said highway thus widened.

SIXTH: A piece of new highway beginning at an appletree on the north side of the highway easterly of Josiah Richardson's buildings; thence running N 50 E 7 rods over said Richardson's land to a stake and stones; thence N  $35\frac{1}{2}$  E 21 rods and 18 links over the same 31 rods over Charles Richardson's land and 12 rods over Francis Richardson's land to a stake and stones; thence N  $48\frac{1}{2}$  E 5 rods over said Francis' land to a stake and stones; thence N  $73\frac{1}{2}$  E 10 rods over the same to a stake and stones; thence N 86 E 3 rods over the same to a stake and stones; thence S  $80\frac{1}{2}$  E 13 rods and 20 links to a walnut tree, marked; thence S  $82\frac{3}{4}$  E 5 rods and 15 links to another walnut tree, marked; thence S  $89\frac{1}{2}$  E 9 rods to a stake and stones; thence N 78 E 7 rods to a stake and stones; thence N 50 E 28 rods crossing a townway to a stake and stones; thence N  $53\frac{1}{2}$  E 43 rods over said Francis' land and 15 rods and 15 links over land of the heirs of Gideon Whittemore, deceased, to a stake and stones; thence N 57 E 51 rods over land of said Francis to a county road, 2 rods and 8 links across said road, 43 rods over said heirs' land to Middlesex Turnpike,  $24\frac{1}{2}$  rods over land of Joel Adams,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  rods across a townway, 32 rods and 10 links

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over land of said Adams' and 53 rods over land of Jesse Smith to a stake and stones at the old road. These lines and monuments are the northerly boundary of said new highway which is three rods wide on the southerly side thereof.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the Town of Chelmsford, being the town in which said highway is situated, shall on or before the first day of November, which will be in the year of our Lord 1836, lay open, construct, and complete said highway, so that 24 feet in width thereof throughout the whole shall be safe and convenient for the passage of oxen, horses, cart waggons, carriages and teams of every description with customary loads.

The form and manner of construction shall be as follows: All stumps, stones and other obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid. And so shaped that the center shall be 18 inches crowning or higher than the sides by a regularly curved surface. All small inequalities shall be reduced to a level, or regularly inclined plane, ascending or descending and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $4^{\circ}$  with the horizon; drains, sluices and bridges constructed of stone and of sufficient capacity shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water. Swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least two feet, and 12 inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other materials which shall be permanently hard; where excavations are necessary, the banks on the sides shall not be left standing at a greater angle than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon; railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places; and the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

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And said Commissioners estimate the expense of making said highway in manner and form aforesaid at the sum of One thousand dollars.

And the proprietors or occupants of the lands over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of April next to remove from the premises any wood, timber, trees or other property not useful for the construction of said highway.

And said Commissioners, having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves or their agents on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway have estimated the same at the sums respectively annexed to their several names, viz:

Asa Stevens	\$ 50.00	Heirs of Gideon Whittemore	\$ 58.00
Isaiah Spalding	25.00	Joel Adams	57.00
Josiah Richardson	55.00	Jesse Smith	53.00
Charles Richardson	62.00		
Francis Richardson	185.00		

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners have herewith set our hands and seals this thirteenth day of November AD 1835. Caleb Butler & seal  
Abner Wheeler & seal  
William Livingston  
& seal

And the said Commissioners order that the highway described in said return be and the same is hereby established as and for a publick highway. And that the same be recorded to the end, the same may hereafter be known as such.

And said Commissioners further order that the several sums of money estimated as damages to said persons by reasons of the premises be paid to them out of the County Treasury by the first day of November next.

A copy of record: Attest E. Phiney, Clerk

Recorded 3/24/1837 by Eli F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 82 - 86).



Laid out  
3/3/1837

(KIDDER ROAD)

We the subscribers, Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of the town a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stake and stones at the westerly side of Middlesex Turnpike at the bridge near R. Pierce's house, at a stake and stones at land of Jonathan T. Fletcher; then running northwesterly about 20 rods to land of Jacob Kidder; then continuing the same course through land of said Kidder to the road leading from Chelmsford to Tyngsborough to a stake and stones near and south of said Kidder's barn. To be three rods wide and to lie on the northerly side of said course.

And we agreed with the owners of the land over which said way passes for their damages as follows: To the said Jacob Kidder thirty dollars to be paid by the said Town of Chelmsford before the said road is oepned. And to the said Jonathan T. Fletcher twenty dollars to be paid as above.

Which road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a publick town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this third day of March AD 1837.

Alpheus Spaulding  
Edmund Swett - Selectmen

Accepted by the Town March 6th, 1837, and ordered to be recorded. And is here recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 87).



Road near ROBERT RICHARDSON's

We the subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of said town a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stake and stones on the northerly side of the road leading from Chelmsford to Westford near the house of Robert Richardson and running northerly to an elm tree by the wall; then to run on the old cart path as it now runs and between the walls as they now stand till it intersects the road leading from Isaiah Spalding's to Lowell. Said way passing over land of Robert Richardson and Isaiah Spalding. And the said Robert Richardson and Isaiah Spalding have agreed to release all claim for the damages for laying said road through their lands.

Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance, and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a publick town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 30th day of October, 1838.

Alpheus Spaulding  
Sherebiah Spalding  
Benjamin Adams - Selectmen

Accepted by the town November 12, 1838.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 88).



Road from ISAIAH SPALDING to JOSIAH RICHARDSON's

6/25/1838

(Altered and Straightened)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners of the County of Middlesex holden at Concord in said County, on the third Tuesday of September AD 1838. The petition of Isaiah Spaulding for a widening and straightening in the highway from the house of said Spaulding to near the house of Josiah Richardson in Chelmsford.

This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Concord in said County on the second Tuesday of May last as by the record thereof there entered is at large set forth, and thence said petition was continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners having viewed the premises and heard all parties interested and having adjudged that the widening and straightening prayed for in said petition were of common convenience and necessity, make their return of their proceedings in the premises, which return follows in these words, viz:

"Pursuant to their former proceedings on the petition of Isaiah Spaulding and others, and to the law in such case made and provided, the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex having given all persons and corporations interested therein seasonable notice as the law directs, met at the house of Isaiah Spaulding in Chelmsford on the twenty-fifth day of June AD 1838, to wit: Caleb Butler and Timothy Fletcher, County Commissioners and Abner Wheeler the other County Commissioner being sick and unable to attend, Timothy Prescott, one of the Special Commissioners for said County, was notified and he attended and voted on the board instead of said Wheeler. And having viewed the premises and heard the parties, said Commissioners did adjudge that the widening and straightening and alterations in said petition prayed for are of common convenience and necessity. And no person or corporation objecting,

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said Commissioners then and there proceeded to lay out the widening and straightening in the highway prayed for in said petition which had been adjudged of common convenience and necessity, and ascertained the courses and established the boundaries thereof as follows:

Beginning at a stake and stones on the southerly side of the old road and easterly of Isaiah Spaulding's house; thence running N 20½ E 23 rods on land of Benjamin Spaulding to a stake and stones; thence running N 25 E 24 rods on said Benjamin's land to a large pine tree, being a southerly boundary of the old road; thence N 37 E 14 rods on land of Asa Stevens to a stake and stones; thence N 45 E 13 rods and 5 links on said Asa Stevens' land to a white oak tree, marked; thence N 81 E 24 rods on said Asa's land to the corner of Josiah Richardson's wall; thence easterly about 4 rods by said wall being the southerly boundary of the old road. Said highway thus altered, widened and straightened to be three rods wide on the northerly and northwesterly side of the above lines and monuments.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the town of Chelmsford, being the town in which said highway is situated, shall on or before the first day of July, which will be in the year of our Lord 1839, lay open, construct and complete said highway so that 24 feet in width thereof throughout the whole shall be safe and convenient for the passage of oxen, horses, carts, waggons, carriages and teams of every description with customary loads.

The form and manner of construction shall be as follows: All stumps, stones and other obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid; and so shaped that the center shall be 18 inches

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higher than the sides by a regularly curved surface; all small inequalities shall be reduced to a level or regularly inclined plane, ascending or descending and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $4^{\circ}$  with the horizon; drains, sluices and bridges constructed of stone and of sufficient capacity shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water; swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least two feet, and 12 inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other material which shall be permanently hard; where excavations are necessary, the banks on the sides shall not be left standing at a greater angle than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon; railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places; and the whole shall be done in workmanlike manner to the acceptance of the Commissioners.

And said Commissioners estimate the expense of making said highway in manner and form aforesaid at the sum of seventy-five dollars. And the proprietors or occupants of the lands over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of April next to remove from the premises any wood, timber, trees or other property not useful for the construction of said highway.

And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway, have estimated the same at the sums respectively annexed to their several names, viz:

To Benjamin Spaulding	\$10.00	ten dollars
To Asa Stevens	\$15.00	fifteen dollars

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Road from Isaiah Spalding to Josiah Richardson's (continued)  
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In witness whereof, we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto  
set our hands and seals this twenty-fifth day of June AD 1838.

Caleb Butler and seal  
Timothy Fletcher and seal  
Timothy Prescott and seal

And the said Commissioners order that the widening and straightening  
in said return described be, and the same are hereby established as and  
for a public highway, and that the same be recorded to the end the same  
may hereafter be known as such.

And the said Commissioners further order the said sums estimated as  
damages to the said Spaulding and Stevens be paid to them out of the County  
Treasury by the first day of July 1839.

A true copy of record: Attest, E. Phinney, Clerk

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 89-92).



(JOEL PARKHURST'S ROAD)

We the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of the inhabitants of said town a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stake and stones on the westerly side of the road leading from Chelmsford to Tyngsborough and running westerly ten rods over land of Joel Parkhurst to the northeasterly corner of said Parkhurst's house and to lie on the southerly side of said course, and to be two rods wide. Said Parkhurst released all damages for laying said road through his land. Which said road is reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a publick town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this twenty-third day of March in the year of our Lord 1839.

Otis Adams  
E. F. Webster  
Jephthah Parker - Selectmen

Accepted April 1, 1839, by the town at a legal Town Meeting.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 93).



(DEACON NOAH SPAULDING ROAD)

Laid out  
4/9/1839

We the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, on the petition of David Perham and others, having given due notice to all persons concerned as the law directs, met at the house of Deacon Noah Spalding in said Chelmsford as by our notice signified, on the ninth day of April AD 1839, and proceeded to view and lay out certain widening and piece of new way in said town as follows, to wit:

FIRST: A widening of the road leading from Deacon Noah Spalding's to the road leading from Chelmsford Centre Meeting House to Lowell. Beginning at a black cherry tree standing on land of said Noah Spalding about two feet north of the wall which is the northerly bound of said road and running on a straight line about 40 rods on land of said Spalding to the Turnpike and across the Turnpike to the southerly abutment of the wall at the bars leading into the field owned by William Fletcher and William Fletcher, Jr. Thence on land of the said William Fletcher and William Fletcher, Jr., about 40 rods to a stake and stones at the wall which is the boundary between said Fletchers' land and land of Capt. John Butterfield; thence on said Butterfield's land about 16 rods to a pine tree, marked, standing near the wall on the northerly side of said road. The marks and bounds above mentioned are the northerly bounds of said widening and the southerly bounds remain as heretofore established.

SECOND: Another widening of the aforesaid road beginning at the corner or end of the wall on the northerly side of said road which is the boundary between School Districts numbers 1, 2 and 9 and running on a straight line on land of Caleb Abbott and Josiah Fletcher Jr., to a stake and stones standing beside the new travelled road. Thence on a straight line, shaving land of

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(DEACON NOAH SPAULDING ROAD) continued  
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the said Abbott and Fletcher about 20 rods to a stake and stones standing 3 rods north of a stone bound dividing land of the said Abbott and Fletcher and land of Joel Adams, Esqr. Thence following the old road as near as may be 3 rods north of said Adams' land about 18 rods to land of William Fletcher and William Fletcher, Jr.

The above piece of way, from the wall of Capt. John Butterfield's land, is laid out three rods wide and to be on the southerly side of said bounds.

THIRD: A straightening, or piece of new way. Beginning at the last mentioned bound and running on a straight line 15 rods and 13 links on land of William Fletcher and William Fletcher, Jr., and 31 rods on land of Bryant Emerson to the corner bound between land of said Emerson and land of Doctor Rufus Wyman.

Said piece of new way is to be three rods wide and on the southerly side of said bounds and connects the last above mentioned widening with the old road as now travelled.

And it is considered that the persons whose names here follow sustain damages by the laying out of the said widening and piece of new way in the several sums annexed to their names respectively, to wit:

Deacon Noah Spalding	\$19.00
William Fletcher and William Fletcher, Jr.	27.00
Capt. John Butterfield	6.00
Caleb Abbott and Josiah Fletcher, Jr.	4.50
Bryant Emerson	5.00
	<hr/> \$61.50

And the owners of lands over which said widenings and piece of new way passes

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are allowed until the first day of October next to remove all wood and timber standing thereon.

The aforesaid widenings and piece of new way are here reported to the town for their acceptance, which, when accepted and recorded, is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Otis Adams  
E. F. Webster  
Jephthah Parker - Selectmen

Accepted in Town Meeting September 16, 1839.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 94-96).



TOWN WAY FROM THE ALMS HOUSE TO MAJOR JOSEPH MANNING'S ON THE ROUTE OF THE  
MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE 10/23/1841.

We the Subscribers, Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, on the several petitions of Benjamin T. Obear and Benjamin F. Hodges after due notice given to all parties concerned as the law directs, met at the house of the said Obear on the 23rd day of October instant and proceeded to lay out the several pieces of town way as prayed for in the petitions of the said Obear and Hodges as follows, to wit:

FIRST: Beginning at a stake and stones standing  $1\frac{1}{2}$  rods west of the center of the now travelled road (known by the name of the Middlesex Turnpike) about 6 rods northerly of a bend in the wall near the said Obear's barn, and following the said Turnpike road as is now travelled, to the road leading from the center of the town to Billerica, near the house of Major Joseph Manning. Passing over said lands and shaving lands of the said B. T. Obear, Benjamin Chamberlain, Samuel L. Knowles, James Pitts, Owen Emerson, David Perham and Joseph Manning of Chelmsford and Thomas Howe of Boston.

Said road is laid out three rods wide, measuring  $1\frac{1}{2}$  rods each way from the centre of the now travelled path. Provided, however, that such parts of said way as is now fenced, and the distance between the fences does not exceed three rods, the fences as they now stand are to be considered as the bounds thereof. And the several owners of the lands over which said way passes relinquish all claims for damages in consequence of the laying out of said road.

SECOND: Beginning at the road leading from the Alms House to Billerica and running northerly on the aforesaid Turnpike Road to a stake and stones standing nearly opposite the gateway which passes the Stearns' House (so called)

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and from thence to the stake and stones just mentioned, standing 6 rods northerly of the bend in the wall near Benjamin T. Obear's barn.

Passing over lands of the inhabitants of the Town of Chelmsford, of William Bowers of Billerica, Thomas Howe of Boston and the said Obear. And the said Obear relinquishes all claims for damages between the two bounds standing on his land provided the road shall not continue below the gateway near the Stearns' House. But, if the road shall be accepted as here laid out, from the road near the Alms House to the said Gateway, then the said Obear claims damages for all the lands taken for each and all the several pieces of way here laid out.

It is not considered that the said Howe of Boston, or the said Bowers of Billerica will sustain any damages and their not appearing, it is presumed that none is claimed by them. The aforesaid pieces of way are also laid out three rods wide  $1\frac{1}{2}$  rods each way from the centre of the now travelled path, with the same provision relative to existing fences as is made in the first piece of way here reported.

Which several pieces of town way are here reported to the town and when accepted and recorded are forever to be known as a public town way.

E. F. Webster  
Amos Carlton  
Dean Holt - Selectmen

Chelmsford 10/23/1841

Accepted November 8, 1841.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 97-98).



LOWELL ROAD FROM GOLDEN COVE BROOK TO CANAL BRIDGE

9/15/1829

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, MIDDLESEX ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners from the County of Middlesex, holden at Concord within and for said County on the third Tuesday of September, being the 15th day of said month, Anno Domini 1829. Present: Caleb Butler, Esquire, Chairman; Augustus Tower, Benjamin F. Varnum and David Townsend Esquires.

The petition of Willard Reed and others for a highway between Chelmsford and Lowell. This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Concord aforesaid on the third Tuesday of September last, as by the record thereof, and the order of notice thereon, there entered, is at large set forth, and thence said petition was continued to the meeting of said Commissioners at Cambridge on the first Tuesday of January last, and thence, as by the order there recorded, said petition was continued for adjudication to the meeting of said Commissioners holden at Concord aforesaid on the second Tuesday of May last, when and where said Commissioners did adjudge that it was of common convenience and necessity to lay out a part of the highway prayed for within the town of Chelmsford, as at large set forth in the record, and thence said petition was continued to this time. And now, said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows:

"Pursuant to the law in such case made and provided, the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, having given all persons and corporations interested notice, as the law directs, met at Willard Reed's tavern in Chelmsford on the twenty-first day of August, AD 1829, and proceeded to locate a piece of new highway from the bridge over Golden Cove Brook to a point in the old road near the Bridge over Middlesex Canal, heretofore adjudged of common convenience and necessity as follows, viz:

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LOWELL ROAD FROM GOLDEN COVE BROOK TO CANAL BRIDGE - Continued  
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Beginning at a stake and stones on the south side of the County road, near Golden Cove Brook, recently located, and running north  $41^{\circ}$  E 2 rods over an old road, 37 rods and 4 links over land of Caleb Abbott and 19 rods over land of Joseph Warren to a stake and stones; then N  $58^{\circ}$  E 40 rods over said Warren's land and 44 rods over Henry Coburn's land to a white pine tree, marked; thence N  $79^{\circ}$  E 40 rods over said Coburn's land to a stake and stones; thence N  $76\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 12 rods over said Coburn's land to a stake and stones; thence S  $86\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E over said Coburn's land, shaving Samuel Davis land on the north 18 rods to a white pine tree, marked; thence N  $70^{\circ}$  E over Joseph Pierce's land shaving land of Samuel Davis and Elisha Glidden on the north to a white birch tree, marked with stones about it, near said Canal Bridge. Said road to be four rods wide on the north side of said lines and boundaries. Said new highway is to be built, constructed and finished by the inhabitants of the Town of Chelmsford to the acceptance of the County Commissioners by the first day of October which will be in the year of our Lord 1830, in manner following:

The travelling way shall be 24 feet wide so that carriages and teams may conveniently and safely travel on that width. The low ground shall be raised two feet from the natural surface. Good stone sluice ways shall be constructed when necessary. All small inequalities levelled and all hills reduced to an angle not exceeding  $4^{\circ}$  with the horizon. The whole to be made 18 inches crowning and constructed in the most workmanlike manner with suitable materials - excepting that the said new highway so far as lies acrost the pine plain may be constructed by levelling the surface of the ground without rounding up.

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LOWELL ROAD FROM GOLDEN COVE BROOK TO CANAL BRIDGE. - Continued  
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And said Commissioners have estimated the expense of constructing said road at \$150.00. And said Commissioners have assessed the damage to be sustained by the persons over whose land said new highway shall pass as follows viz:

Caleb Abbott	\$25.00
Joseph Warren	\$10.00
Henry Coburn	\$50.00
Samuel Davis	\$ 3.00
Elisha Glidden	\$ 1.00
Joseph Pierce	\$ 5.00

And the several persons over whose lands said new highway shall pass are allowed three months from the 24th day of September next to take off their wood and fences.

Witness our hands this 21st day of August AD 1829, Caleb Butler, Augustus Tower, B. F. Varnum, David Townsend, County Commissioners."

And it is ordered by the Commissioners here present that the highway in said return described be and that the same is hereby established as and for a public highway and that the same be recorded to the end it may hereafter be known as such. And it is further ordered by said Commissioners that the several sums of money so as aforesaid estimated as damages by the reason the laying out of said highway to the several persons above named be paid to them respectively out of the County Treasury on the 1st day of May next.

A copy of record      Attest: A. Biglow, Clerk.

Recorded here November 10, 1841, by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

NOTE: Written in the margin on page 100 of the original book is the following:  
"Bounds established by Caleb Butler, Esqr. May 16, 1851 viz: A stone near the brook, a stone bound on land of Joseph Warren near the house of Samuel Putney;

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LOWELL ROAD FROM GOLDEN COVE BROOK TO CANAL BRIDGE - Continued  
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a stone bound on the plain near the cart rut and near a ravine, a stone on the plain between land formerly of H. Coburn and the City of Lowell, a stone bound (formerly a birch stake) on the brow of the hill, a stone bound at a white pine, stump on the flat and a stone 2 rods south of the centre of the Canal bridge."

(Original book pages 99-101).



HIGHWAY FROM THE OSGOOD ROAD TO MIDDLESEX VILLAGE - Widened

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, MIDDLESEX ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners in and for the County of Middlesex, holden at Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January, AD 1843. The petition of Ezra A. Upham and others for alterations in the highway from Jesse Smith's in Chelmsford to the Middlesex Village.

This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge in said County on the first Tuesday of January last, and thence said petition was continued to the last June meeting and thence to their meeting holden at Concord in said County in the first Tuesday of September last, where and when the said Commissioners did adjudge that the alteration prayed for in said petition was of common convenience and necessity and thence said petition was continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises which return follows in these words:

"Pursuant to the petition of Ezra A. Upham and others, and to the law in such case made and provided, the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex having given all persons and corporations interested therein seasonable notice as the law directs, met at the public house of Daniel Poor in Chelmsford on the 18th day of October AD 1842, and proceeded to make sundry alterations of the highway as prayed for in said petition which had been adjudged of common convenience and necessity and ascertained the courses and boundaries thereof, the same being numbered and designated by sections as follows, viz:

SECTION 1: Beginning on the easterly side of said highway at a stake and stones on land of Jesse Smith at the termination of the road leading from

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Westford to Lowell, recently laid out on the petition of Jacob Osgood and others; thence running N  $27\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 10 rods to a stake and stones; then N  $41^{\circ}$  E 4 rods to a stake and stones; then N  $46^{\circ}$  E 12 rods, all over land of said Smith to a stake and stones at land of Samuel F. Wood. Thence N  $42\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 6 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $45^{\circ}$  E 6 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $50^{\circ}$  E 6 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $52\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 10 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $58^{\circ}$  E 5 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $61^{\circ}$  E 5 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $69^{\circ}$  E 5 rods to a stake and stones all over land of said Wood to a stake and stones at land of Otis Howard. Thence continuing on the same course over land of said Howard 15 rods to a stake and stones; thence on a curve line over said Howard's land and three rods distant from the wall on the opposite (northerly) side 20 rods and 15 links to a stake and stones at land of Joseph Bowers; thence N  $49^{\circ}$  E over land of said Bowers 5 rods and 10 links to a stake and stones at the fence by the road. These lines and monuments to be the easterly side and boundaries of said highway thus altered. The same being an alteration by widening, the opposite bounds remaining unaltered, except the crossing at the point of the woods from where it leaves the old road until it enters it again. This part being an alteration by straightening, the same being two and a half rods wide.

The Commissioners here adjourned to meet at Daniel Poor's aforementioned on the 20th of October instant at  $8\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock A.M. Met according to the foregoing adjournment and proceeded in the location as follows, viz:

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SECTION 2: Beginning at the northerly side of said highway at a stake and stones at the wall by land of Joseph Bowers; thence running N  $46^{\circ}$  E 3 rods and 17 links to a stake and stones; then N  $40^{\circ}$  E 2 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $32^{\circ}$  E 2 rods to a stake and stones; and thence N  $26^{\circ}$  E 2 rods, 10 links to a stake and stones; thence N  $20^{\circ}$  E 2 rods  $3\frac{1}{2}$  links to a stake and stones; thence N  $8^{\circ}$  E 2 rods 1 link to a stake and stones by a post on the westerly side of the road, all being over land of said Bowers. These lines and monuments to be the northerly and westerly side and boundaries of said highway thus altered by widening, the opposite bounds remaining unaltered.

SECTION 3: Beginning on the westerly side of said highway at a stake and stones on land of Joseph Bowers opposite of his house, thence running N  $11^{\circ}$  E over land of said Bowers 4 rods to a stake and stones at the bank wall by the road. This line to be the westerly side and boundary of said highway thus altered by widening, the opposite bounds to remain unaltered.

SECTION 4: Beginning on the easterly side of said highway at a stake and stones near the wall on land of Joseph Bowers, thence running N  $20^{\circ}$  E 6 rods to a stake and stones. Thence N  $24^{\circ}$  E 6 rods over lands of said Bowers to a stake and stones at the fence by the road. These lines and monuments to be the easterly side and boundaries of said highway thus altered by widening. The opposite bounds remaining unaltered.

SECTION 5: Beginning on the westerly side of said highway at a stake and stones by land of Joseph Bowers, thence running N  $26^{\circ}$  E 6 rods 20 links to a stake and stones; thence N  $21^{\circ}$  E 2 rods to a stake and stones; thence

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N  $15^{\circ}$  E 2 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $9^{\circ}$  E 2 rods 10 links to a stake and stones; thence N  $\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 2 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $8\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W 3 rods 21 links, all over land of said Bowers, to a stake and stones at the wall by the road. These lines and monuments being the westerly side and boundaries of said highway thus altered by widening, the opposite boundaries remaining unaltered.

SECTION 6: Beginning on the easterly side of said highway at a stake and stones nearly opposite a maple tree by land of Samuel F. Wood, thence running N  $15^{\circ}$  W 4 rods 20 links to a stake and stones; thence N  $12\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W 5 rods 15 links to a stake and stones; thence N  $5^{\circ}$  W 6 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $1^{\circ}$  E  $5\frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $2^{\circ}$  E 20 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $7^{\circ}$  E 1 rod 22 links to a stake and stones; thence N  $14^{\circ}$  E 2 rods to a stake and stones; thence N  $26\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 1 rod 17 links to a stake and stones; thence N  $33^{\circ}$  E 1 rod 3 links to a stake and stones; thence N  $43^{\circ}$  E 1 rod to a stake and stones; thence N  $61^{\circ}$  E 22 links to a stake and stones; thence N  $73^{\circ}$  E 1 rod; thence N  $80^{\circ}$  E 2 rods 4 links, all over land of said Wood to a stake and stones at the main road leading from North Chelmsford, so called. These lines and monuments to be the easterly side and boundaries of said highway thus altered by widening, the opposite boundaries remaining unaltered.

The cuttings and fillings in the first section to conform to the marks and directions indicated by the grade pins placed by the Commissioners.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the town of Chelmsford, being the town in which said highway is situated, shall on or before the first day of October, which will be in the year of our

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Lord 1843, lay open, construct and complete said highway so that 20 feet in width thereof throughout the whole, exclusive of gutter on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of oxen, horses, carts, waggons, carriages and teams of every description with customary loads.

The form and manner of Construction shall be as follows: All stumps, stones and other obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid, and so shapen that the center shall be 18 inches higher than the sides by a regularly curved surface. All small inequalities shall be reduced to a level, or a regularly inclined plane, ascending or descending, and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $3^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Drains, sluices and bridges constructed of stone and of sufficient capacity shall be made at all places necessary for the conducting away the water. Swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least two feet. And 12 inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other materials which shall be permanently hard. Where excavations are necessary the banks on the sides shall not be left standing at a greater angle than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Railings shall be erected on all steep or dangerous places. And the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of the said Commissioners.

And said Commissioners estimate the expense of making said highway in manner and form aforesaid in the town of Chelmsford at \$170.00 \* and the said Commissioners recommend to the said town of Chelmsford to cause permanent stone monuments to be erected at the important angles and at suitable distances on each side of said highway so as to mark the boundaries thereof to prevent the encroachments of the owners of adjacent lands. And the proprietors or



or occupants of the lands over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of April next to remove from the premises any wood, timber, trees or other property not useful for the construction of said highway.

And the said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said land by themselves or their agents on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway have estimated the same at the sums respectively annexed to their several names, viz:

Jesse Smith	Four dollars
Samuel F. Wood	Ten dollars
Otis Howard	Six dollars
Joseph Bowers	Fifty-three dollars

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners have hereunto set our hands this 3rd day of January AD 1843:

L. M. Parker  
Timothy Fletcher  
Seth Davis

And said Commissioners order that the highway described in said return be, and the same is, hereby established as and for a public highway and that the same be recorded to the end the same may hereafter be known as such. And the said Commissioners further order that the several sums estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of premises be paid to them out of the County Treasury when they shall present to the County Treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of Chelmsford that the land on which said alterations are ordered have been entered upon and possession taken for purpose of constructing said alterations.

Attest: E. Phinny, Clerk

Copy of Record

(Original book pages 102-107).



ROAD FROM THE OLD TURNPIKE TO FRANCIS RICHARDSON'S NEW HOUSE

On the petition of Francis Richardson, we the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford met at the house of Joseph E. Heywood in said town on this second day of October, 1845, (notice having been given to all parties concerned as the law directs) and proceeded to view and lay out a piece of town way as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the Old Turnpike road at a stone set in the ground which is the bound between land of Joseph E. Heywood and land of the heirs of the late William Adams, deceased, and running easterly on said Heywood's land about eight rods to a stake and stones at land of the said Richardson and about ten feet northwesterly from the northwest corner of said Richardson's new house. Said way is laid out two rods wide and on the northerly side of said boundaries.

The said Heywood claims as damages twenty dollars, that is to say at the rate of \$200 per acre which we consider a reasonable compensation. And the said Richardson agrees to build the road to the acceptance of the town for \$75.00.

Respectfully submitted by

E. F. Webster  
Jephthah Parker  
E. G. Reid - Selectmen

November 10, 1845 - Accepted by the town.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 108).



## ROAD TO THE WORSTED FACTORY

On the petition of Thomas T. Osgood, we the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, having previously given notice as the law directs, met at the house of John Farrar February 18, 1846, and proceeded to lay out a town way as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a stake at the Ridge Hill Road, about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  rods southwesterly of the said Osgood's cellar and running northerly about 146 rods to a stake standing near an appletree in John Farrar's field; thence a little more westerly about 36 rods to a stake at the brook. All on land of the said Farrar. Thence across the brook and partly on land of the Chelmsford Company and partly on land of J. T. Farwell and Company about 31 rods to a stake by the wall at the County Road. The above road is laid out three rods wide and on the westerly side of the aforesaid boundaries and monuments.

And we have estimated the damages to the several owners of lands through which said way passes as follows, to wit:

John Farrar	One hundred and fifty dollars
Chelmsford Company	Forty-five dollars
J. T. Farwell & Co.	Forty-five dollars

And we have estimated the expense of building said road and bridge at \$650.00.

Respectfully submitted by  
E. F. Webster  
Jephthah Parker  
E. G. Reid - Selectmen

March, 1846 Read and referred to a Committee.

April 5, 1847 Accepted by the town.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 109).



WENTWORTH ROAD AT NORTH CHELMSFORD

We, the subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, on the petition of Abraham W. Wentworth, met at the Counting Room at the Chelmsford Iron Company (foundry) (Previous notice having been given to all parties as the law directs) and proceeded to lay out a town way as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a stake and stones at the Old Turnpike Road by the corner of the fence at land of Gay, Silver & Co., and running westerly as the fence now stands, partly on land of said company and partly on land of Lincoln Drake, Esq., about 26 rods to a stone set in the ground at the corner of the lot occupied by Charles P. Jones and owned by said Gay, Silver & Co. Said way is laid out two rods wide and on the southerly side of said boundaries and monuments. And the said Gay, Silver & Co., and Lincoln Drake, Esq., both approving relinquished all claim for damage in consequence of the laying out of said way. And we have estimated the expense of building said road at \$25.00. Which road is here reported to the town and when accepted and recorded is forever to be known as a public town road.

Respectfully submitted by  
April 22, 1846

E. F. Webster  
Owen Emerson - Selectmen

April 28, 1846 In town meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 110).



TORREY ROAD AT NORTH CHELMSFORD

The Subscribers, Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford (on the petition of Joseph L. Torrey and others) met at the Counting Room of Lincoln Drake, Esq., on Tuesday, April 22, 1846, (notice having been given to all parties as the law directs) and proceeded to lay out a town way as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the Old Turnpike Road, on the easterly side thereof, at the corner of the fence of land of E. G. Reed and near his house, and running easterly on the now travelled path to the road leading from Adams' Tavern, so called, to Middlesex Village. Said way being bounded on each side as the fence now stands and is about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  rods wide, all on land of Lincoln Drake, Esquire. And said Drake appearing, relinquished all claims for damages in consequence of the laying out of said road. Which road is here reported to the town and when accepted and recorded, is to be forever known as a public town way.

Respectfully submitted by

E. F. Webster  
Owen Emerson - Selectmen

April 28, 1846: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original Book page 111).



OLD MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE LAID OUT AS A FREE ROAD 1/26/1846

We the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford met at the Tavern of Arnold Burtt in said town on the 26th day of January 1846, and proceeded to lay out that portion of the Middlesex Turnpike lying and being between the said Town and Tyngsborough line as a free public highway and established the boundaries thereof as follows, to wit:

Beginning at Tyngsborough line at the fence on the easterly side of said Turnpike and about six feet from the most westerly rail of the Nashua and Lowell Railroad track and running southerly as the fence now stands to a stake opposite the house of Robert B. Chamberlain. Thence on a straight line to a stone set in the ground at land of Betsey Tuck. The westerly boundary remaining as the fence now stands. Thence continuing as the fence now stands on each side of said way to the corner of the fence near the house of the said Betsey Tuck; thence  $2\frac{1}{2}$  rods from the fence on the easterly side of said way to the old County Road, the easterly boundary remaining as formerly established and as the fence now stands. Said road passes over lands formerly owned by Simon Blodgett and the grantors of Betsey Tuck, and which, had the road been discontinued would have reverted to them. And the said Blodgett and Tuck have each filed in their claim for damages in the sum of \$300. But, as the road has never been discontinued, we are of the opinion that no damage is sustained.

Respectfully submitted by:

E. F. Webster  
E. G. Reed  
Owen Emerson, Selectmen

November 9, 1846 In Town Meeting, read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 112).



We the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, met at the house of James Pike, Jr., on the 23rd day of October, 1846, (notice having been given to all concerned as the law directs), proceeded to lay out a town way as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a stone set in the ground at land of Jared B. Britton and on the northerly side of the County Road from Adams' Tavern to Lowell, and running easterly as the fence now stands to the most easterly bar-post near the house of Charles Swett; thence southerly to a stake near the stone bridge over Stony Brook, at the County Road. Said way is laid three rods wide from the stone set in the ground to the bar-post before mentioned and on the southerly side of said boundaries, and two rods wide from the said bar-post to the stake near the bridge and on the westerly side of said bounds.

Said way is here reported to the town for their approval and when accepted and recorded is forever to be known as a public town road.

E. F. Webster  
E. G. Reed  
O. Emerson - Selectmen

November 9, 1846: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 113).



# WIDENING OF ROAD NEAR AMOS BYAM'S HOUSE

We the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, met at the house of Deacon Amos Byam on the 17th day of February AD 1847 (notice having been given to the parties concerned as the law directs) and proceeded to lay out a widening of the road petitioned for by the said Byam as follows:

Beginning at the corner of the wall on the westerly side of the road leading from David Dutton's by the said Byam's house a little northwesterly from the said Byam's barn and running southerly about 7 rods to a stake and stones; thence a little more westerly about 10 rods to a stake and stones; thence still southerly a little more westerly about 6 rods to a stake and stones; thence still southerly about 6 rods to a stake and stones by a cluster of appletrees at the wall. The easterly boundaries remaining as heretofore established. All the above widening being on lands of Thomas Spalding. And we have estimated the damage sustained by the said Spalding in consequence thereof as follows, viz: For the land taken for said widening six dollars. And for removing the wall five dollars and fifty cents. Making in all eleven dollars and fifty cents. All of which the said Byam agrees to pay.

Respectfully submitted by

E. F. Webster  
E. G. Reed  
O. Emerson - Selectmen

March 28, 1847 - In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 114).



Order of the County Commissioners on

RAIL ROAD CROSSINGS - 1847

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Concord within and for said County of Middlesex on the first Tuesday of September AD 1847. The petition of the Stony Brook Rail Road Corporation to cross roads at grade in Chelmsford, Westford and Groton. This petition was presented to the Chairman of the County Commissioners in vacation, to wit, on the fourth day of August 1847, as by the record thereof and the order of notice entered therein in the records of this September meeting of said County Commissioners, is at large set forth and thence said petition was continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises, which return follows in these words:

"Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss: Pursuant to the petition of the Stony Brook Rail Road Corporation and to the law in such case made and provided, the County Commissioners for said County having given all persons and corporations interested therein seasonable notice as the law directs, met at A. Burt's Tavern in Chelmsford on the 20th day of August, in the year 1847 and proceeded with the petitioners who appeared by Tappan Wentworth, Esq. their President, and also with the Selectmen of said Chelmsford, and viewed certain of the crossings named in said petition and hereinafter named; and having heard all persons who desired to be heard, and having duly considered the premises said Commissioners were of the opinion that the following roads named in said petition and viewed as aforesaid may be crossed by said rail road on a level therewith consisting with the public safety to wit:

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The road from Lowell to North Chelmsford; the road called the Old Turnpike; the new road from the Scythe Factory to Chelmsford; the old road from the Scythe Factory to Chelmsford, all of which are in Chelmsford. The road from Adams' Mills to Carlisle; the two roads passing the Willard Fletcher Bridge; the road passing by Hayward's Mills; the road passing the Westford Town Farm and the road passing through the Forge Village, all of which are in the town of Westford. The Groton and Littleton road; the road near School House No. 11; the road near Sandy Pond; the Groton and Harvard Road; and the road near the junction of the Fitchburg and the Peterborough and Shirley Rail Roads, all of which are in the town of Groton.

The petitioners proposed to vary the grades of certain roads at the crossings thereof as follows, to wit: At the crossing by Hayward's Mills fill two feet; at the crossing the Groton-Littleton road, cut five feet; at the crossing near the School House No. 11 fill two feet; at the crossing near Sandy Pond fill one foot. And the said Commissioners have authorized said Corporation to make the several crossings aforesaid in the manner aforesaid, on the following conditions and not otherwise, to wit: At each and every of the said crossings where it is proposed either to cut or to fill as aforesaid, the road so crossed shall be so graded as not to increase the angle of ascent, and shall be put in good condition for the public travel, without unreasonable delay and to the acceptance of said Commissioners. The said Corporation at each of the two crossings named in said petition, to wit: the crossing of the road from Lowell to North Chelmsford and the crossing of the road called the Old Turnpike, for the greater protection and safety of the public travel, shall construct and erect a gate across said rail road,

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and shall always provide and keep an agent to open and close said gate for the passage of the engine and cars, as provided in the 18th section of the 39th Chapter of the Revised Statutes.

The several matters herein ordered shall be constructed and finished without unreasonable delay and to the acceptance of said Commissioners. The other crossing, named in said petition to wit: Over the road near the house of Elnathan Brown: Over the road by the School House near Josiah R. Putney (\*); and over the Groton and Boston road were not shown to the Commissioners and no action was had thereon.

In witness thereof we the said County Commissioners have hereunto set our hands this sixth day of September in the year 1847.

Josiah Adams  
Eben Barker  
Joshua Swan

(\*) Jonas K. Putney

E. Phinney, Clerk

Copy of Record: Attest: E. Phinney, Clerk

(Original book pages 115-117).



We the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford have laid out for the use of said town a town way as follows:

Beginning at the road leading from North Chelmsford to Lowell near the house of the Rev. B. F. Clark at a stake on the road aforesaid and passing northerly over land of Lyman Alger and Lincoln Drake to land of the Stony Brook Rail Road Company to a stake; thence in the same direction crossing land of said Company and track to a stake about ten feet easterly of the old freight depot of Nashua and Lowell Co., and to lie on the easterly side side of said course.

Lincoln Drake agrees by his agent to relinquish all claim for damages for said road crossing his land. Mr. Alger has made no proposals. The Stony Brook Rail Road Co., by one of their directors, gave encouragement of making no demands for damages and would do something towards constructing the new road aforesaid.

And we allowed the several owners of land over which said route passes two months to take off the wood, timber or trees standing or growing thereon. Which said road is reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a publick town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 4th day of September AD 1848

Otis Adams  
Elisha Shaw - Selectmen

9/4/1848 Accepted conditionally (which see Book Y, page 304).

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 118).



ROAD FROM CHARLES SWETT'S HOUSE TO THE COUNTY ROAD - Bounds thereof Established

The Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, in accordance with a vote of the Town, met agreeable to appointment and proceeded to establish the bounds of the road leading from near the house of Charles Swett running southerly to the road leading from North Chelmsford to Lowell. The original bound which was a post, was lately replaced by the Selectmen by a stone set in the ground a little below the surface, about fifty feet from the most northwesterly iron post of the railing to the bridge near Blood & Paige's Mills, and nearly on a line with said railings; the road to lie on the westerly side of the course indicated by said bounds.

Chelmsford, March 22, 1849.

Otis Adams  
Elisha Shaw - Selectmen

Recorded March 27, 1849 by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 119).



(LITTLETON ROAD)

ROAD FROM SOUTH MEETING HOUSE, LITTLETON, TO CHELMSFORD

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, MIDDLESEX ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, holden at Concord with and for said County of Middlesex on the first Tuesday of June AD 1848: The petition of Jonathan Hartwell and others for alterations and new pieces of highway from the South meeting house in Littleton through Westford to near the center of Chelmsford. The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Concord within and for said County on the first Tuesday of June last, as by the record thereof, and the order of notice therein, there entered, is at large set forth, and thence said petition was continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises, which return follows in these words:

"Pursuant to the petition of Jonathan Hartwell and others, and to the law in such case made and provided, the County Commissioners for said County, having given all persons and corporations interested therein seasonable notice as the law directs, met at Chamberlain's Hotel in Littleton on the ninth day of May in the year 1848, and proceeded to lay out a piece of new highway in the towns of Westford and Chelmsford in said County, in conformity to the prayer of said petition as follows, to wit:

Beginning in said Westford at a stake on the north side of the old road named in said petition, at the wall, and 17 feet easterly of a large elm tree in front of the house of William Laws; thence running N 15° E over land of said Laws, 119 rods to a stake at a wall in the bushes; thence in same course over land of Thomas Hutchins 47½ rods to a stake; thence N 64° E over same land 13 rods to a stake at a wall; thence in same course over a corner

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of land of Nathaniel Sweetser, 3 rods and 8 links to a stake; thence in same course over Snow Road 2 rods 7 links to a stake; thence in same course over land of Josiah Vose, John Hammond and Samuel C. Hunt 90 rods to a stake at a pine tree, marked, on the Island (so called); thence N  $65\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E over lands of said Hunt, James Robbins and Charles Adams 66 rods to the center of the brook; thence same course over land of Jonathan W. Ward 16 rods to a stake on a knoll; thence N  $13\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E over same land, 16 rods 11 links over land of Benjamin Haywood to a stake at the line between Westford and Chelmsford; thence in same course over land of said Haywood 31 rods 20 links to a stake at a wall; thence in same course over land of said Ward 7 rods to a stake on an old road opposite to said Ward's house; thence in same course over said road, and in front of said house 6 rods 15 links to a stake; thence N  $68^{\circ}$  E over land of said Ward 35 rods and 7 links to a stake at a wall; thence in same course over land of Charles Adams 39 rods and 4 links to a stake; thence in same course over land of Otis Byam 40 rods to a stake; thence in same course over land of Joseph Chamberlain 47 rods to a stake; thence in same course over land of Samuel C. Hunt 35 rods to a stake at a wall 15 feet northerly of an oak tree and on the road leading by the school house; thence in same course across said road 2 rods 12 links to a stake; thence in same course over land of Thomas Spalding 121 rods to a stake at the Pine Hill Road; thence N  $10^{\circ}$  E across said road 2 rods to a stake; thence in same course over land of Deacon Amos Byam 73 rods and 5 links to an oak tree near the lime kiln; thence N  $67^{\circ}$  E over same land 66 rods to a ditch; thence in same course over land of Solomon Parkhurst 49 rods to a stake at the brook; thence in same course over land of Josiah Byam 13 rods to a stake at a wall; thence N  $89^{\circ}$  E over land of said Parkhurst 10 rods to a stake by a ledge;

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thence S  $82\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E over same land and across the meadow and brook 23 rods to a stake at a ledge; thence S  $71^{\circ}$  E over same land 6 rods 11 links to a stake near a black oak tree; thence N  $70^{\circ}$  E over same land 14 rods 10 links to a small oak tree; thence N  $75^{\circ}$  E over said land 5 rods 10 links to a stake at a wall; thence same course over land of Benjamin M. Fiske 28 rods 15 links to a stake at a wall; thence in same course over land of John Hallett 33 rods to a stake; thence in same course over land of Lucy H. Proctor 8 rods to a stake; thence in same course over land of Henry B. Proctor 19 rods 5 links to a stake; thence in same course over land of Jephthah Parker 11 rods 15 links to a stake; thence in same course over land of Josiah Fletcher Jr., 27 rods to a stake; thence in same course over land of Willard Reed 52 rods to a stake at an apple tree; thence S  $89^{\circ}$  E 13 rods 12 links to a stake at the corner of the burying ground; thence east over land claimed by the First Parish in Chelmsford, common land about 12 rods to the main road leading through Chelmsford Village.

The foregoing lines on the northern boundary of said new piece of highway which is laid out three rods in width except that for the purpose of obtaining gravel and materials for making and maintaining said highway in the town of Chelmsford. The following parcels of land shall be included within its limits, to wit: a strip of land two rods in width adjoining the southern boundary of said highway as above described, being land of Amos Byam, and extending 27 rods westerly from said ditch; also a strip of land of said Amos Byam one rod in width adjoining the northerly side of said highway as above described, commencing at said ditch and extending westerly 27 rods making said highway for that distance 6 rods in width. Also a strip of land

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of Solomon Parkhurst adjoining the southerly side said highway 20 rods 5 links in length and bounded southerly by a line commencing at a stake at said ditch 4 rods southerly of the southerly line of said road as above described, and thence running easterly in a straight line 20 rods and 7 links to a stake which is 2 rods southerly of said southerly line; also a triangular piece of land of said Parkhurst 20 rods and 5 links in length measuring easterly from said ditch adjoining said northerly line, and bounded northerly by a line drawn easterly from the ditch at said northerly line 20 rods and 10 links to a stake which is 3 rods northerly from said northerly line.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of said towns of Westford and Chelmsford, each in its own territorial limits, shall, on or before the first day of July which will be in the year 1849, lay open, construct and complete said highway so that 24 feet in width thereof throughout the whole exclusive of gutters on the sides shall be safe and convenient for the passage of oxen, horses, carts, waggons, carriages and teams of every description with customary loads. The center of the travelled part shall be the center of the location. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows: All stumps, stones and other obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width of aforesaid, and so shaped that the centre shall be 12 inches higher than sides by a circular curved surface; all small inequalities shall be reduced to a level, or a regularly inclined plane, and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $2\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  with the horizon; drains, sluices and bridges constructed of stone and of sufficient capacity shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water; swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least four feet; and 12 inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other materials which shall be permanently hard.

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Where excavations are necessary the bank on the sides shall not make an angle greater than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon; railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places; and the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of said Commissioners. And said Commissioners estimate the expense of making said highway in the town of Westford at nine hundred and forty dollars and in Chelmsford twenty four hundred and sixty dollars.

And the proprietors or occupants of the lands over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of January next to remove therefrom any wood, timber or trees.

And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves or their agents on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway, have estimated the same as follows, to wit:

William Laws	\$ 300	Josiah Byam	10
Josiah Vose	50	Benjamin M. Fiske	60
Thomas Hutchins	100	John Hallett	75
Samuel C. Hunt	70	Lucy H. Procter	30
James Robbins	30	Henry B. Procter	50
Charles Adams	120	Jepthah Parker	35
Jonathan W. Ward	375	Josiah Fletcher, Jr.	60
Benjamin Haywood	70	Willard Reed	225
Otis Byam	80		
Joseph Chamberlain	90		
Thomas Spalding	250		
Amos Byam	275		
Solomon Parkhurst	150		

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners have hereunto set our hands this 5th day of June in the year 1848.

Josiah Adams  
Eben Barker  
Joshua Swan

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And the said Commissioners order that the highway described in said return be, and the same is hereby established, as and for a public highway and that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such.

And the said Commissioners further order that the several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises be paid to them respectively out of the County Treasury when they shall present to the County Treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the land lies that the land over which said highway is located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

Attest: E. Phinney, Clerk

A Copy of Record

Attest: E. Phinney, Clerk

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 120-125).



ROAD FROM THE OLD TURNPIKE TO THE ROAD FROM NORTH CHELMSFORD TO LOWELL

The Subscribers, Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of said town a town way as follows, viz:

Beginning at a stone post on the south side of the road leading from North Chelmsford to Lowell by land of Gay, Silver & Co., and running southwesterly over land reserved by Lincoln Drake for a street, about 12 rods; thence continuing the same course over land of Williams, Bird & Co., to a stone post at the corner of land of Henry M. Bird, on the northerly side of what is called the Old Turnpike, about 20 rods; to be 30 feet wide and to lie on the easterly side of said course.

The owners of the land agreed to relinquish all claim for damages occasioned by said road crossing their land.

Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded, is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 30th day of June AD 1849.

Otis Adams  
Joseph Reed  
Elisha Shaw - Selectmen

November 12, 1849: In town meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 126 (says 226)).



LEWIS RIPLEY'S ROAD ON A CONTINUATION OF SILVER STREET

We the subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of the town a town way as follows, viz:

Beginning at a stone post at the southwest extremity of Silver Street and running and continuing the same direction of Silver Street, and designed to be a continuation of the same over land of Williams, Bird & Co., about six rods to a stone post by land of Joseph B. Pierce on the easterly side of Canal Street; thence three rods across said Canal Street (the same not being a public way) to a house lot of Lewis Ripley. To be 43 feet wide and to lie on the easterly side of said course.

All claims for damages in consequence of said road crossing the land of any individuals was relinquished.

Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 13th day of June AD 1849.

Otis Adams  
Joseph Reed  
Elisha Shaw - Selectmen

November 12, 1849 - In town meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 127 (says 227)).



REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE BOUNDS OF THE ROAD NEAR THE NORTH CHELMSFORD  
MEETING HOUSE

The Committee appointed at the last April meeting to investigate and establish where the bound should be set which stands between land of Doctor N. B. Edwards and the highway opposite the North Chelmsford Meeting House, have attended to that and report that they met on the premises and after hearing all the evidence that was produced in the case, they saw no cause to alter or move the bound that the Selectmen had previously caused to be set. But, your Committee found that a bound on a bank on the south side of the brook was lost - that it was formerly a stump and that it had been removed. And thinking that possibly there might have been an angle at that bound which would have had some bearing on the first mentioned bound, and in order to ascertain more fully our former conclusions, we got a surveyer and by surveying found the place where the said stump formerly stood. And we caused a stone to be set in the place. And after finding that there was no angle at the place where the stump formerly stood, we came fully to the conclusion that there was no cause to remove the bound that the Selectmen set which is opposite the southeast corner of said Meeting House, and measuring 5 rods and 12 feet from said corner across the road to said bound on said Edward's land.

All of which is respectfully submitted

Alpheus Spalding  
Sheremiah Spalding  
David Perham - Committee

November 12, 1849: In town meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 128).



ALTERATION IN THE BYAM ROAD, SO CALLED, FROM THE CENTER OF THE TOWN TO  
THE BAPTIST VILLAGE

We, the Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the  
use of the said town a town way as follows:

Beginning at the buttonwood tree near the Butterfield house of Willard  
Reed on the westerly side of the road leading from Chelmsford Center to the  
Baptist Village and running southwesterly over land of said Reed, land of  
Joel Adams to a rock and stones thereon at the northwest corner of the land  
of said Reed; thence nearly in the same direction over land of said Adams and  
Reed to a heap of stones in the back pasture of the said Adams; thence pursuing  
nearly the same course to a small ash tree, marked, on land of Sewall Parkhurst;  
thence a trifle more southerly over land of said Parkhurst and road to a heap  
of stones on land of said Parkhurst near the north line of the Well's pasture  
of Joel Adams; thence nearly the same course over land of said Adams and land  
of said Parkhurst to a heap of stones east of a larger apple tree on land of  
said Parkhurst and near the southerly line of the aforesaid Well's pasture.  
Thence varrying a little from the same course to a heap of stones on the  
meadow of said Parkhurst where it intersects the road first mentioned.

Another piece of new road: Beginning at a heap of stones by said road  
leading from Chelmsford Centre to the Baptist Village by land of Elias  
Sweetser, and running in a southwesterly direction over lands of said  
Sweetser, and William Hunter to a heap of stones on land of said Hunter  
near the land of Elias Sweetser. Thence in nearly the same direction over  
land of said Hunter to a heap of stones on land of said Hunter and nearly  
north of his house; thence pursuing nearly the same course over land of  
said Hunter and land of William Byam and William A. Byam to a heap of stones



on the north side of the back road, so called; thence verring a little more westerly across said back road over and shaving land of Jonathan Parker 3rd, and crossing land of Calvin T. Wright to a heap of stones on the northerly side of the aforesaid road leading from Chelmsford to the Baptist Village where it intersects said road. To lie on the southerly side of the course indicated by said bounds and to be three rods wide (excepting fifteen rods across the bush pasture of Joel Adams where it is four rods wide).

And we have estimated the damage to the several owners of land claiming damages as follows, viz: The damage to Joel Adams Esqr., we estimate at \$198; to Elias Sweetser \$40; to William Hunter \$92; William and William A. Byam at \$55; to Jonathan Parker 3rd at \$1.25.

And we have given the several owners of land which the aforesaid road passes until the middle of April next to take off any wood or timber standing or growing thereon or fences standing on the same. The distance over each man's land crossed by said road is as follows, viz: Over land of Willard Reed 27 rods 31 links; over land of Joel Adams 84 rods; over land of Sewall Parkhurst 87 rods 23 links; over land of Elias Sweetser 29 rods; over land of William Hunter 41 rods 18 links; over land of William and William A. Byam 24 rods; over land of Jonathan Parker 3rd one rod; over land of Calvin T. Wright 27 rods.

For a more minute description of courses and distances you are referred to a plan of said route made by W. Romans Hodgman, Engineer and of Butterfield and Clark.

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Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public highway.

Dated at Chelmsford this ninth day of February AD 1850.

Otis Adams  
Joseph Read - Selectmen

The Selectmen of said town would also report that it would be for the interest of the town in their opinion to discontinue pieces of the old road from the foot of Sawpit Hill to where they may intersect the within named new road.

Otis Adams  
Joseph Read - Selectmen

March 4, 1850: In town meeting read and accepted with certain provisos, for which see Book Y, page 370.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 129 - 131).



ALTERATIONS AND WIDENING OF THE ROAD NEAR CHARLES SWETT'S

We the Subscribers, Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford have laid out for the use of said town an alteration in the town way leading from the road leading from North Chelmsford to Middlesex Village to the house of Charles Swett.

Beginning at a stake near the fence by land of Dr. N. B. Edwards, on the north side of the road leading from North Chelmsford to Lowell, and running northerly shaving land of Dr. N. B. Edwards and land of Charles Swett to a stake nearly under the front yard fence of the said Swett, and said stake is on the north side of the street leading from the aforesaid road leading from North Chelmsford to Lowell by the house of Oliver Cummings, Dr. N. B. Edwards and Charles Swett and is to lie on the easterly side of the course indicated by said bounds and is to be two rods and a half wide.

Charles Swett relinquishes all claim for damages from said road shaving his land. Dr. N. B. Edwards claims ten dollars as damages by said road shaving his land. And we allowed the said owners of land two months to remove anything lying on said land to which they have a legal right. Which said alteration is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 28th day of March AD 1850.

Otis Adams  
Joseph Reed  
Elisha Shaw - Selectmen

April 1st 1850: In town meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 132).



TOWN WAY FROM THE COUNTY ROAD WEST OF THE SCHOOL HOUSE TO SILVER STREET

We the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, at the request of Benjamin Adams and others, have laid out for the use of the said town a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stone in the ground on southerly side of the County Road (formerly Middlesex Turnpike) and the northerly corner of land of Union School District #8 in North Chelmsford; thence S 59° W 34 rods to a stone in the ground at the corner of land of Willard (Kennon?). Said town way to be built on the northwesterly side of the line and is to be 40 feet wide. Thence from the stone last mentioned N 31° E 11 rods to Silver Street, so called (formerly laid out and built by the town) and the said town way to be built on the northerly side of the line and is to be 32 feet wide.

Messrs B. and T. J. Adams, over whose land said highway is laid out, agree to give their land. And we allowed the said Messrs Adams two months to take off the wood standing and growing thereon. Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 23rd day of March in the year 1852.

N. B. Edwards  
Christopher Roby - Selectmen

April 19, 1852: In town meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk



ROAD TO GEORGE S. WOOD'S MILLS

At the request of George S. Wood and others we the Subscribers, Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of said town a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stake in the ground on the northerly (\*westerly) side of the road leading from Lowell to Acton near the house of George S. Wood and running northerly (\*westerly) 150 feet to a stake and stones over land of said George S. Wood. To be two rods wide and to lie on the easterly (\*northerly) side of said line. No damages are claimed for laying out the same. Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance, and when accepted and recorded, is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 19th day of October 1852.

N. B. Edwards - Selectman

November 2, 1852: In town meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

On account of several errors in the above report, the road was laid out anew; for which, see next page.

(\*) Compass points placed as in original text.

(Original book page 134).



ROAD TO GEORGE S. WOOD'S MILLS (Relaying out of)

At the request of George S. Wood and others, the Subscribers, a majority of the Selectmen of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of the town a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stone set in the ground on the westerly side of the road leading from Lowell to Acton near the house of said George S. Wood and running westerly 150 feet to a stone set in the ground, all on land of said George S. Wood. To be 26 feet wide, and to lie on the northerly side of said line. No damages are claimed for laying out the same. Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 29th day of November AD 1852.

N. B. Edwards  
Sewall Parkhurst - Selectmen

Accepted by the town December 13, 1852.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 135).



ROAD AT CONCORD RIVER NECK from the Billerica Road over land of Elisha Davis to the School House in District No. 6.

At the request of Thomas Marshall and others, the Subscribers met this day, due notice thereof having been given to all parties interested, and laid out a road as follows:

Beginning at a white oak tree on the easterly of the road leading from the house of Thomas Marshall nearly opposite the school house in School District No. 6; thence in an easterly direction to a stake and stones on the new road leading from Lowell to Billerica. Said to be two rods wide and to lie on the southerly side of said line, all on the land of Elisha Davis of Lowell.

We proposed to pay to said Davis sixty dollars for damages of land and he is allowed till May 1st, 1853, to remove fences, trees, etc., standing on said land.

Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 24th day of March in the year 1853.

N. B. Edwards  
Jabez Stevens  
H. B. Proctor - Selectmen

April 4, 1853: In town meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 136).



(ACADAMY STREET)

(Road north of the Common 5/15/1860)

We the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, have laid out for the use of the said town a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stake at the northeasterly corner of the town Common and near the house of Deacon Otis Adams on the road leading from Chelmsford to Nashua, New Hampshire, thence running S  $77\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W 308 feet through lands belonging to Otis Adams, the proprietors of the Central Baptist Church and B. P. Dickinson aforesaid, and on the same course to the Westford Road. Said road is laid out 26 feet in width and north of the above described line. And we award as damages to Otis Adams \$25 and to B. P. Dickinson \$13 to be paid by the said Town. And the Proprietors of the Central Baptist Church released all damages for laying said way through their land. And we allowed the several owners of land aforesaid till the 20th day of November next to take off the fences and wood standing and growing thereon. Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way. Dated at Chelmsford this 15th day of May in the year 1860.

H. B. Proctor  
Christopher Roby  
David Perham, Selectmen

November 6, 1860: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

Immediately after the acceptance of said road, to wit, in November, 1860, a permanent fence was built on the northerly side of said Common with stone posts set in the ground, which fence is on the southerly side of said road and is the boundary thereof, to a turn in the fence, and from thence on a line with the fence to a stone in the ground near Westford Road.

(Original book page 152).



LAYING OUT AND STRAIGHTENING OF ROAD NEAR P. D. and T. S. EDMOND'S HOUSE,  
Concord River Neck

At the request of Philip D. and Thomas S. Edmonds, legal notice having been given according to law to all persons interested, the Subscribers met and viewed a highway leading from the house of Thomas Marshall past the house of said Edmonds, in that part of Chelmsford called Concord River Neck, and made the following straightening in said road as follows:

Beginning at a stake and stones on said road near the corner of the land of Jonathan Pierce and ( ? ) Marshall; thence running westerly on land of said Marshall about 170 feet to a stake and stones on said road aforesaid, not far from the culvert across said road. Said portion of the said road to be two rods wide and to lie wholly on the southerly side of said line.

Mr. Marshall, whose land is taken for said straightening, and being present, or represented by any person, the subscribers estimated his damages for land at \$6.00 which sum the said P. D. and T. S. Edmonds agree to pay to said Marshall and also to move the wall and build the road at their own expense. And we allowed the said Marshall one month to take off the wood standing and growing thereon. Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 2nd day of October in the year 1854.

N. B. Edwards  
Jabez Stevens  
David Perham, Selectmen

November 13, 1854: In town meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 137).



ALTERATIONS AND WIDENING OF THE ROAD PASSING BY ABBOTT RUSSELL'S (formerly Ephram Adams) Mills.

We the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, have made alterations in the road leading from the Chelmsford and Bedford Road by Abbott Russell's Mills and the house of Benjamin F. Hodges to Billerica line as follows:

Beginning at a bound on the Chelmsford and Bedford Road and running in an southeasterly direction 52 feet on land of Varnum Spalding to the point of intersection with said Billerica Road. And then beginning on the southerly side of said road at a bound by the wall and running in an easterly direction 87 feet on land of said Varnum Spalding to the point of intersection with said road. Said Spalding releasing all claim for damage on account of said alteration excepting the rebuilding of the wall on the southerly side.

And then beginning at a bound on the northerly side of said road and running south  $81\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 300 feet on land of Messrs Otis Adams and A. and E. Spalding; thence S  $86^{\circ}$  E 50 feet on said Adams and Spalding's land; thence N  $75^{\circ}$  E 50 feet; thence N  $70^{\circ}$  E 50 feet; thence N  $68\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 34 feet to the point of intersection with said road; and then beginning at an ash tree on the southerly side of said road and running easterly 192 feet on land of Abbott Russell to a stake and stones on said road. Said Russell releasing all claim for damage on account of said alteration.

And then beginning at a bound on the northerly side of said road and running N  $79^{\circ}$  E 130 feet on land of Messrs Otis Adams and Asa and Elbridge Spalding; thence on said Adams and Spalding's land N  $69^{\circ}$  E 110 feet to the point of intersection with said road.

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ALTERATIONS AND WIDENING OF THE ROAD PASSING BY ABBOTT RUSSELL'S MILLS

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And we award said Otis Adams and Asa and Elbridge Spalding as damages on account of said alteration the sum of \$30. And we allow the several owners of the land aforesaid 60 days to remove the wood standing thereon. Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 2nd day of April, 1855.

William Fletcher  
E. A. Warren  
J. J. Hoyt - Selectmen

Accepted April 9, 1855.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 138-139).



ALTERATION OF ROAD NEAR CHARLES ADAMS' HOUSE

We the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, have made the following alterations in the road leading from the house of Charles Adams to the house of Jonathan W. Ward.

Beginning at a stake and stones on the easterly side of said road at a corner of land belonging to Jonathan W. Ward; thence running in a straight line and southerly course  $23\frac{1}{2}$  rods on the said Ward's land to the point of intersection with the aforesaid road.

And we have awarded the said Ward as damage on account of said alteration the sum of \$5.00 and have agreed for the rebuilding the wall on said line at fifty cents per rod; The same to be paid by the town before said road is open. Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 2nd day of April 1855.

William Fletcher  
E. H. Warren  
J. J. Hoyt - Selectmen

Accepted April 9th, 1855.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 139).



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LAYING OUT OF THE PRIVATE WAY FROM THE WEST CHELMSFORD ROAD TO THE HOUSE  
OF EDMUND SCHOFIELD 2/12/1856.

On the petition of Edmund Schofield, we the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford having met at the house of said Schofield February 12, 1856, (notice having been given to all parties interested) proceeded to lay out a private way:

Beginning at a stake and stones at the road leading from the Center of the town to West Chelmsford and running on a straight line in a westerly direction through land occupied by Deacon Isaiah Spalding to a stake and stones at land of said Schofield. Said way to be 24 feet in width, all on the southerly side of said line.

And we award that the said Schofield assume the whole expense of constructing said way and keeping the same in repair, and erect and keep up a good and sufficient gate at each end of said way.

We award to the owner of said land, or to the said Isaiah Spalding the occupant, the sum of fifty dollars for damages caused by the laying out of said private way, and that the said Spalding be allowed until the first day of May next to remove all trees now standing on land taken for said way. The said way is hereby reported to the town for this acceptance, and when accepted and recorded, the same is ever after to be known as a private way.

Dated at Chelmsford this the 20th day of February 1856.

William Fletcher  
E. A. Warren  
J. J. Hoyt, - Selectmen

Accepted March 3, 1856.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 140).



TOWN WAY IN NORTH CHELMSFORD FROM NEAR THE HOUSE OF REV. B. F. CLARK  
SOUTHERLY TO THE MILL ROAD (SO CALLED). 10/14/1856

At the request of Benjamin Adams and others, we, the Subscribers,  
Selectmen of Chelmsford, met at North Chelmsford and proceeded to lay out  
for the use of said town a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stone bound on the westerly (\*southerly) side of the  
Lowell Road nearly opposite the dwelling house of Rev. B. F. Clark; thence  
running S 39° W 28 rods to a stone bound at the angle of the Mill Road, so  
called. To be two rods wide and all on the southerly side of said line.

The Messrs Adams, Benjamin and Thomas J. releasing all claim for damages  
on account of the laying out of said road. The same is hereby reported to  
the town for their acceptance. And when accepted and recorded is forever  
after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 14th day of October in the year 1856.

William Fletcher  
E. H. Warren  
J. J. Hoyt - Selectmen

(\* as in original text).

November 4, 1856: In town meeting read and accepted.

E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 141).



COUNTY ROAD from near Col. Joseph Bowers to Westford Street in Lowell,  
usually called "THE FRANK FOSTER ROAD". 11/27/1855

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, holden at Concord within and for said County of Middlesex, on the first Tuesday of September A.D. 1855, and by adjournment at the same place November 27, 1855, the petition of Benjamin F. Foster, and others, for a new highway from Chelmsford to Lowell. This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January, 1851, as by the record thereof and the order of notice therein there entered as at large set forth; and thence said petition was continued from term to term to the meeting of said County Commissioners holden at said Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January last and by adjournment at the same place on the 27th day of February last, when and where said Commissioners did adjudge the alterations and new piece or pieces of highway to be of common convenience and necessity as prayed for, and thereon said petition was continued to this term. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises, which return follows in these words:

"Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss: Pursuant to the petition of Benjamin F. Foster and others and to the law in such case made and provided, the County Commissioners for said County, having given all persons and corporations interested therein seasonable notice as the law directs, met at the hotel in Middlesex Village in Chelmsford on the 12th day of May in the year 1855 and proceeded to locate the highway prayed for in said petition in part and we then adjourned to May 31st last at the same place when and where we again met and again adjourned to October 7, 1855, at the

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same place, when and where we again met and completed said location as follows:

Beginning at a stone bound on the south side of Westford Street at the terminus of said street and at the town line between Lowell and Chelmsford; thence westerly over land of B. F. Foster in the same course as that part of Westford Street, so called, in Lowell, which lies on land of said Foster 913 feet to a stone bound between land of said Foster and land of heirs of N. Tyler; thence at an angle of  $197^{\circ}$  and running on land of said Tyler heirs 1196 feet to Pine Street, so called; thence in the same course 32 feet across Pine Street to land of Warren McIntire; still in the same course across said McIntire's land 24 feet to land belonging to the heirs of the late Cyrus Baldwin; thence in same course on said Baldwin land 866 feet to a stone bound; thence at an angle of  $186^{\circ} 40'$  over Baldwin land 284 feet to the Middlesex Canal location; thence in the same course 315 feet to "Black Brook" and still in same course across said Brook and to the road leading by the "old glass works" 113 feet; thence in same course on said old road 276 feet to a stone bound; thence at an angle of  $135^{\circ} 58'$  partly on said old road and partly on land of Joseph Bowers 1131 feet to a stone bound; thence at an angle  $220^{\circ} 30'$  on land of said Bowers 153 feet to a pine tree standing on the east side of the road leading from Middlesex Village to Westford. The above described lines are on the southerly boundary lines of said highway as herein located, which highway is to be 50 feet wide and is all in Chelmsford.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the said town of Chelmsford shall, on or before the first day of December which will be in the year 1856, lay open, construct and complete said highway



so that 25 feet in width thereof throughout the whole, exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of oxen, horses, carts, wagons, carriages and teams of every description with customary loads. The centre of the travelled part shall be the centre of the location. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows:

All stumps, stones and other obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid; and so shaped that the centre shall be 15 inches higher than the sides by a circular curved surface. All small inequalities shall be reduced to a level on a regularly inclined plane, and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $4^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Drains, sluices and bridges constructed of stone and of sufficient capacity shall be made at all places necessary for the conducting away of water. Swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least four feet. And 12 inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other materials which shall be permanently hard. When excavations are necessary, the banks on the sides shall not make a greater angle than(?) degrees) with the horizon. Railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places; the grade to conform to a plan and profile made by Messrs Swan & Straw, with culverts and bridges as therein specified. And the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner, to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And the said Commissioners estimate the expense of making said highway in the town of Chelmsford at seventeen hundred dollars (\$1,700).

And the proprietors or occupants of the lands over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of March next to remove therefrom any wood, timber or trees.

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And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said land by themselves or their agents on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway, have estimated the same as follows, to wit:

To heirs of Nathan Tyler	\$272
To Warren McIntire	\$ 3
To heirs of Cyrus Baldwin	\$300
To Joseph Bowers	\$ 50

And no other person was damaged.

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this 26th day of November in the year 1855.

D. S. Richardson  
Leonard Huntress  
John K. Going

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk  
3/30/1857.

(Original book pages 142-145).



Widening and Straightening of a road in MIDDLESEX VILLAGE near S. G. PARKER's  
3/24/1859

The Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, upon application of George W. McIntire to lay and widening and straightening of the side of the road nearly opposite the house of Samuel G. Parker in said town, and running in an easterly direction 160 feet to a stake; thence running a trifle more southerly to a stake on the south side of the road nearly opposite the small house of said George W. McIntire, 210 feet, (said boundaries describing the southerly line of said route) shaving land of the heirs of the late Cyrus Baldwin, Esqr.

We, having given seven days notice of an intention of widening and straightening the same, and stating in said notice the termini thereof by posting said notice at a public place in said town and in the vicinity of the proposed route, to wit: at the hotel in Middlesex Village in said town, the 17th day of March instant, and having met at the time and place appointed for that purpose of having personally examined the widening and straightening proposed are of opinion that there is occasion for a widening and straightening proposed town way for the use of the town as preposed: We therefore lay out said way as follows:

Beginning at a stake on the southerly side of the road leading from Middlesex Village by Amos B. McIntire's running from said stake easterly 160 feet to a stake nearly opposite the house of George W. McIntire; thence running a little more southerly to a stake on the south side of the road aforesaid. And we have awarded to the owners of the land (the heirs of the late Cyrus Baldwin, Esqr.) over which said widening and straightening passes \$17 as damages, to be paid by said town. And we allow the said owners of said land one month to remove the fences and trees standing on said land.

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Which said laying out with the boundaries and all measurements thereof have been filed with the Town Clerk on the 24th day of March instant, being seven days before this meeting. And we now hereby report this widening and straightening with the boundaries and all measurements of the same by said town at a meeting of the inhabitants regularly warned and notified for them to accept and allow the same.

Given under our hands this 24th day of March in the year of our Lord 1859.

Otis Adams  
S. P. Perham  
A. A. Davis - Selectmen

April 11, 1859: In Town Meeting read and accepted and allowed.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 146-147).



LEVI T. FLETCHER ROAD

9/1860

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Lowell, within and for said County of Middlesex, on the first Tuesday of September, A. D. 1860. The petition of Levi T. Fletcher, and others, inhabitants of the towns of Groton, Westford and Chelmsford. This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of January last, to wit: at the adjournment of said meeting, at the same place on the 24th day of the same January and thence said petition was continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows:

The County Commissioners for said County, having given all persons and corporations interested therein seasonable notice as the law directs, met at the Westford Depot in Westford on the 24th day of July, in the year 1860, and proceeded to locate the highway prayed for in the above named petition, namely:

Beginning at a bound in the highway about one rod southeasterly from an elm tree near the southeasterly corner of the dwelling house of Joshua Decatur in Westford; thence N  $64^{\circ}$  E 453 feet over land of Joshua Decatur to a bound; thence N  $55 \frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$  E  $742\frac{1}{2}$  feet over land of Levi T. Fletcher and W. Taylor to a bound; thence N  $29 \frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$  E  $1369\frac{1}{2}$  feet over land of William Agnew to a bound; thence N  $34 \frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$  E  $455\frac{1}{2}$  feet over land of Levi T. Fletcher to a bound; thence N  $50^{\circ}$  E 308 feet over land of said Fletcher to a bound; thence N  $56^{\circ}$  E  $851\frac{1}{2}$  feet over land of said Fletcher to a bound; thence N  $68^{\circ}$  E 732 feet over a road and lane against land of said Fletcher to a bound; thence N  $52\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 1320 feet over land of said Fletcher, and passing

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the boundary line between Westford and Chelmsford to a bound; thence N  $84^{\circ}$  E  $1226\frac{1}{2}$  feet over land of Levi T. Fletcher to a bound; thence N  $75\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 563 feet over land of Mr. Mills to a bound in the highway leading from West Chelmsford to Chelmsford; thence N  $77^{\circ}$  E 1325 feet over land of W. R. Thompson and Gilman Shaw to a bound; thence N  $76\frac{1}{3}^{\circ}$  E 946 feet over land of Robert Lord and Joseph Reed to a bound; thence N  $78^{\circ}$  E 868 feet over land of said Reed and A. and E. G. Spalding to a bound; thence N  $71^{\circ}$  E 2223 feet over land of said Spalding and Francis B. Parker to a bound; thence N  $89^{\circ}$  E  $224\frac{1}{2}$  feet over land of said Parker to a bound; thence S  $71^{\circ}$  E 150 feet on the old road against land of said Parker and E. F. Richardson to a bound; thence S  $62^{\circ}$  E 500 feet on old road against land of said Edward F. Richardson to a bound; thence S  $65^{\circ}$  E 300 feet on said old road against land of said Richardson to a bound; thence S  $73\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 443 feet over said old road against land of said Richardson to a bound; thence N  $75^{\circ}$  E  $516\frac{1}{2}$  feet over land of said Richardson to a bound; thence N  $83\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E  $470\frac{1}{2}$  feet over land of said Richardson to a bound at the junction of the above described new street with the highway leading to Lowell.

The above described line is the northerly line of said new highway and the opposite, or southerly line, is three rods or  $49\frac{1}{2}$  feet distant therefrom. The above description is intended to conform to a plan of the hereby located highway drawn by Luther Prescott, Esqr., of Westford.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of said towns of Westford and Chelmsford shall on or before the 1st day of July, which will be in the year 1861, lay open, construct and complete said highway so that 24 feet in width thereof throughout the whole, exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every



description, with customary loads. The centre of the travelled part shall be the centre of the location. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows:

All obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid, and so shaped that the centre shall be 15 inches higher than the sides by a circular curved surface. All small inequalities shall be reduced to a level, or a regularly inclined plane, and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $3\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Drains, sluices and bridges constructed of stone, and of sufficient capacity shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water. Swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least four feet. And 12 inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other material which shall be permanently hard. And permanent stone monuments shall be placed at each end and at each angle in said described line. Where excavations are necessary the banks on the sides shall not make a greater angle than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places. And the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of said Commissioners. And said Commissioners estimate the expense of making said highway in the town of Westford at \$600 and in the town of Chelmsford \$1,200.

And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the 20th day of November next to remove therefrom any wood, timber or trees. And said Commissioners, having heard the proprietors of said land, by themselves or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by laying out said highway, have estimated the same as follows, to wit:

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J. Decatur	\$ 25
Mr. Mills	\$ 50
R. Lord	\$ 5
W. R. Thompson	\$ 25
G. Shaw	\$100

J. Reed	\$ 50
A. & E. G. Spalding	\$250
F. Parker	\$200
E. Richardson	\$100

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this 17th day of October, 1860.

P. H. Sweetser  
Leonard Huntress  
E. J. Collins

And the said Commissioners order that the highway described in said return be, and the same is, hereby established as and for a public highway and that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such. And the said Commissioners further order that the several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises be paid to them respectively out of the County Treasury, when they shall present to the County Treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the land lies, that the land over which said highway is located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

Attest: M. Preston, Asst. Clerk

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 148-151).



Alteration of Highway in CARLISLE AND CHELMSFORD from a point at the Groton Road in said Carlisle to the Acton Road near Heart Pond. 7/17/1860.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Concord within and for said County of Middlesex on the first Tuesday of June AD 1860, and by adjournment at the same place July 17, 1860. The petition of Abram Hutchins and others for new pieces of highway in Carlisle and Chelmsford. This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January, 1859, when and where due notice was issued, and thence continued to the next June term, when and where said Commissioners did adjudge that said new pieces of highway and the widenings and straightenings as prayed for in said petition were of common convenience and necessity. And thence said petition was continued from term to term to this time.

And now the said Commirsioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows: The County Commissioners for said County, having given all persons and corporations interested therein seasonable notice as the law directs, met at the dwelling house of A. Hutchins in Carlisle on the 21st day of October in the year 1859 and proceeded, the Selectmen of Carlisle being present, to make the widenings and straightenings prayed for in said petition, and which are as follows:

FIRST: A widening in Carlisle beginning at a stake in the wall, marked No. 1 by the Groton Road, on the northeast side thereof, thence the line runs N  $17\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W 7  $\frac{1}{10}$  rods; thence N  $12^{\circ}$  W 1  $\frac{25}{100}$  rods; thence N  $0^{\circ}$ - $15'$  W 1  $\frac{9}{10}$  rods; thence N  $17^{\circ}$  E 6  $\frac{9}{10}$  rods; thence N  $6^{\circ}$   $20'$  W 11 rods; thence N  $12^{\circ}$  E 8 rods; thence N  $16^{\circ}$  E 7  $\frac{8}{10}$  rods; thence N  $26^{\circ}$  E 10  $\frac{25}{100}$  rods; thence

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N  $32^{\circ}$  -30' E 6 rods; thence N  $36^{\circ}$  -45' E  $4 \frac{9}{10}$  rods; thence N  $44^{\circ}$  -30' E  $18 \frac{75}{100}$  rods; thence N  $33^{\circ}$  -30' E  $2 \frac{55}{100}$  rods; thence N  $12^{\circ}$  -30' E  $33 \frac{85}{100}$  rods; thence N  $6^{\circ}$  15' E  $13 \frac{7}{10}$  rods; thence N  $51^{\circ}$  E  $23 \frac{65}{100}$  rods to Stake No. 16 by a white oak tree in the present line of the fence. The line thus described to be the easterly boundary of the road as widened which is to be 40 feet.

No. 2: A widening in Carlisle near the barn of Abram Hutchins beginning at a stake in the line of the present fence and near a bar post on the easterly side of the road; thence the line runs N  $35^{\circ}$  E 2 rods; thence N  $42\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E  $1 \frac{6}{10}$  rods; thence N  $49^{\circ}$  E  $2\frac{1}{2}$  rods to a stake in the wall. The line here described to be the easterly boundary line of the road as widened, and the opposite line to remain as it is.

No. 3: Another widening in Carlisle north of the last alteration beginning on the westerly side of the road at a stake in the wall by Abram Hutchins land; thence the line runs N  $31^{\circ}$  E  $2 \frac{3}{4}$  rods; thence N  $4 \frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$  E  $1 \frac{8}{10}$  rods; thence N  $2^{\circ}$  W 3 rods to another stake in the wall. The line here described is to be the westerly boundary line of the road as hereby altered and which passes round a corner, and the opposite boundary lines remain unaltered.

No. 4: A causeway widening which is southerly of B. Hutchins house. It is for specific repairs within the present location and the said causeway is to be widened for the distance of  $22 \frac{4}{10}$  rods in length, and between the stakes as placed in the highway, and to the width of 20 feet, by widening about  $5 \frac{3}{4}$  feet the whole distance on the east side of said causeway.

No. 5 is also a widening of the causeway in the same highway and north of the

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house of B. Hutchins. The causeway and bridge are about 4 rods in length. Stakes are placed at each end and the causeway and bridge are to be widened  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet on the east side. All the above described alterations and widenings are in the town of Carlisle.

No. 6 is a widening near the Pond house, so called, in Chelmsford. The point of beginning is on the easterly side of the highway leading from Carlisle to South Chelmsford Village near the bars in land of Ezekiel Byam and near the corner of the Acton Road, so called. Thence the line runs N  $12^{\circ}$  W  $8\frac{3}{10}$  rods to a stake; thence N  $41\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E  $15\frac{3}{4}$  rods to a stake at another pair of bars on the Acton Road. This last widening is all on land of Ezekiel Byam and all in Chelmsford, and the opposite lines remain unchanged.

In the first widening in Carlisle (No. 1) such parts of the old road as are not embraced within the description of this new location are hereby discontinued. Plans of the said widenings and alterations above described made by Edward Symmes are to be placed with the Records of Carlisle.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the said towns of Carlisle and Chelmsford shall on or before the first day of December, which will be in the year 1860, lay open, construct and complete said highway so that 35 feet in width in Chelmsford and 22 feet in width in Carlisle, throughout the whole, exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with the customary loads. The center of the travelled part to be the centre of the location. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows: All obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid; and so shaped that the center shall be twelve inches higher than the surface by a regularly curved surface; all small inequalities shall be reduced



to a level, or a regularly inclined plain, and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding three degrees with the horizon; drains, sluices and bridges constructed of stone, and of sufficient capacity, shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water. Swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least three feet; and twelve inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other material which shall be permanently hard. Permanent stone monuments shall be placed at each end and at each angle in said described line. The corner of the roads in Chelmsford shall be so rounded in addition to the 35 feet above named as to give suitable accommodation to teams of every description. Where excavations are necessary the banks on the sides shall not make a greater angle than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon; railings shall be erected on all steep and dangerous places and the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And said Commissioners estimate the expense of making said highway in the town of Carlisle at three hundred dollars (\$300) and in the town of Chelmsford one hundred dollars (\$100). And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said highway is laid out are allowed until the first day of September next to remove therefrom any wood, timber or trees.

And the said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway, have estimated the same as follows to wit:

To Samuel Robbins	Seventy-five dollars	(\$75)
To Timothy Wilkins	Fifty dollars	(\$50)
To Simon T. Fletcher	Ten dollars	(\$10)
To Abram Hutchins	Twenty dollars	(\$20)
To Ezekiel Byam	Thirty dollars	(\$30)

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In witness whereof, we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this seventeenth day of July in the year eighteen hundred and sixty.

P. H. Sweetser  
Leonard Huntress  
E. J. Collins

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

June 16, 1862.

(Original book pages 153-156).



We, the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford have laid out for the use of the said town a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stake on the northeasterly side of the road leading from North Chelmsford to Lowell at the land of R. D. Davidson (and near the house occupied by the Rev. B. F. Clark); thence over said Davidson's land northeasterly 25 rods to a stake at the Stony Brook Rail Road. To be two rods wide and to lie on the southeasterly side of said course; which takes one rod (in width) of the said Davidson's land and one rod (in width) of the Lowell and Nashua Rail Road Corporation's land.

And we awarded to Mr. Davidson for damages the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75). The Rail Road Corporation asks nothing for damages except the town build a fence which we estimate could cost about forty dollars (\$40).

Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 22nd day of October, 1863.

Joseph Reed  
Elisha Shaw  
Edmund F. Dupee, Selectmen

November 3, 1863: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 157).



REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN ON THE LAYING OUT A ROAD FROM THE BEDFORD ROAD TO  
RUSSELL'S MILLS - 6/14/1865

We, the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, have laid out the bridleway leading from Russell's Mills to the Bedford Road, so called, as a public, open highway as prayed for by B. F. Hodges and others, as follows:

Beginning at a point on the road leading from Chelmsford to Bedford, bearing N  $10\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W from the northeast corner of Samson Stevens' house at the distance of 18 rods and 5 links; thence N  $8^{\circ}$  E 14 rods 12 links; thence N  $30\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 14 rods; thence N  $20\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 45 rods 16 links; thence N  $19^{\circ}$  W 34 rods 17 links; thence N  $26^{\circ}$  E 13 rods 1 link; thence N  $13^{\circ}$  E 19 rods 19 links; thence N  $2\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W 30 rods; thence N  $5\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 8 rods 15 links; thence N  $17\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  E 23 rods 21 links; thence N  $2\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W 13 rods 15 links to the road leading from Abbott Russell's Mills to Billerica.

The said road is laid out on the westerly side of the above line and is two rods wide except at the commencement where it is seven rods wide measuring in the direction of the Bedford Road, narrowing to the width of two rods at the end of the first course. And we have agreed with Mr. John E. Stevens, over whose land the way passes twenty-eight rods, for damages and the gravel pit included in the laying out, in the sum of twenty-five dollars. And we considered that Mr. Russell was not entitled to damages in consideration of the fact that a very large part of the travel over the same will be for the benefit of his mill. The length of the road as laid out is 217 rods, 16 links. Which road is hereby reported to the Town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way.

Dated at Chelmsford this 14th day of June AD 1865.

Joseph Reed  
E. F. Dupee  
N. B. Edwards - Selectmen

March 7, 1865: In Town meeting read, accepted and adopted.  
Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 158).



Report of Selectmen on the Laying out of Road at EAST CHELMSFORD 6/15/1864

We, the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, have layed out for the use of said town a town way as follows:

Beginning at an apple tree, marked, on the westerly side of the road leading from Lowell to Billerica at the land of A. F. Dyar; thence over said Dyar's land a southerly course about 5 rods to the old Billerica road; thence across said road to the land of B. P. Marshall to the corner of the wall; thence a southwesterly course over said Marshall's land by a wall about 29 rods to the corner of the wall; thence continuing the same course over said Marshall's land about 25 rods to a stake and stone; thence westerly over said Marshall's land about 33 rods to a birch tree, marked, at the wall at the land of Bridgett Burke; thence westerly over said Burke's land about 22 rods to a white oak tree, marked, at the land of F. F. French, and on an old bridleway; thence southerly by said French's land and over said bridleway about 15 rods to a yellow oak tree, marked, at the land of Michael McAmauty; thence southerly by said McAmauty's land and said bridleway about 38 rods to a stake at the land of Charles & Thomas Finnick; thence southerly by said Finnick's land and over said bridleway about 58 rods to a post in the fence, marked, at the land of Michael Brady; thence southerly by said Brady's land and over said bridleway about 30 rods to a stake on said Brady's land and about 20 rods east of Mr. Brady's house. To be two rods wide and to lie on the easterly side of said course.

Mr. Dyar claims no damages. Mr. Marshall did not appear at the laying out of the road and we appraised his damages at one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175), and Mrs. Burke at twenty-five dollars (\$25), all to be paid by the Town before said road is opened. And we allowed the owners of the

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land aforesaid two months to take off the wood standing and growing thereon,  
if accepted by the Town.

Which said road is hereby reported to the Town for their acceptance  
and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public  
town way.

Joseph Reed  
Elisha Shaw  
S. P. Perham - Selectmen

Dated at Chelmsford June 15, 1864.

Recorded by J. Warren Blodgett, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 159-160).



Report of the Selectmen on RE-ESTABLISHING THE ROAD TO THE WORSTED FACTORY  
5/20/1868

On the petition of J. J. Hoyt we, the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, met at the house of Thomas F. Osgood, May 20, 1868, for the purpose of perambulating and re-establishing the monuments on the road leading from the Ridge Hill Road to West Chelmsford Village.

Beginning at a stone post  $24 \frac{3}{4}$  feet southwesterly from Thomas F. Osgood's cellar wall and running northerly 1800 feet to a stone post  $36 \frac{1}{2}$  feet westerly from A. G. and J. H. Whidden's house; thence westerly  $640 \frac{1}{2}$  feet to a stone post at the brook opposite the depot; thence westerly  $544 \frac{3}{4}$  feet to a stone post 8 feet westerly from the corner of the piazza of J. N. Perry's stone home. The above road is laid out three rods wide and on the westerly side of the aforesaid boundaries and monuments.

Respectfully submitted by

E. F. Dupee  
S. P. Perham  
Samuel T. Wright - Selectmen

Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book page 161).



Road to the SCHOOL HOUSE in MIDDLESEX VILLAGE 10/10/1868

On the petition of T. H. Smith and others, we the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, having given legal notice, met at the School House in Middlesex Village October 10th, 1868, and proceeded to lay out a town way as follows to wit:

Beginning at a stone bound N  $44^{\circ} 15'$  E 10 feet from the east corner of S. H. Weaver's dwelling house; thence S  $1^{\circ}$  W 217  $\frac{3}{4}$  feet to a bound at land of T. H. Smith.

Said road is laid out on the east side of said bounds and is 25 feet wide.

Chelmsford 10/10/1868

Respectfully submitted by

E. F. Dupee  
S. P. Perham  
S. T. Wright - Selectmen

November 3, 1868: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

E. F. Webster, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 162).



On the petition of C. L. Fuller and others, We, the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, having given legal notice, met at the house of Frank Furlong, October 10, 1868, and proceeded to lay out a town way as follows, to wit:

Beginning S 21° W 42 feet from a stone bound on the easterly side of Ridge Hill Road, so called, near the dwelling house of Frank Furlong; thence S 65° 10' W 707 feet through land of Isaiah Spalding to a stone bound on land of C. L. Fuller.

Said road is laid out two rods wide and on the south side of said bounds. And we have estimated the damage to said Spalding to be thirty-five dollars (\$35).

Chelmsford October 10, 1868

Respectfully submitted by

E. F. Dupee  
S. P. Perham  
S. T. Wright - Selectmen

November 3, 1868: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 163).



Widening of the Road in the CENTRE OF THE TOWN from S. S. PARKHURST's STORE  
to the LOWELL ROAD 10/15/1868.

On the petition of David Perham and others, we the Subscribers, Selectmen  
of Chelmsford, having given legal notice, met at the store of S. S. Parkhurst  
October 15, 1868, and proceeded to lay out and straighten the road from S. S.  
Parkhurst's store to the Lowell Road.

Beginning at the south corner of said store about one foot from corner  
of the piazza; thence S 58° E 81 75/100 feet to a bound on a southerly curve  
of two feet from centre of the line; thence S 65° 30' E 144 50/100 feet to a  
bound; thence E 43 feet to the corner of land belonging to the Estate of  
Jonathan Emerson, at the Lowell Road, on a southerly curve of four feet from  
the center of the line. Said town way is laid out on the south side of said  
bounds, all on land of Eliza W. Fiske. And we have estimated the damage to  
said Fiske to be one hundred and fifty-eight dollars (\$158).  
Chelmsford, October 15, 1868.

Respectfully submitted by

E. F. Dupee  
S. P. Perham  
S. T. Wright, Selectmen

November 3, 1868: In Town Meeting read and accepted

E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(NOTE: At the bottom of the page written in Pencil "Proceeding null and void")

(Original book page 164).



On the petition of Cornelius Driscoll, We, the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, having previously given notice as the law directs, met at the house of Cornelius Driscoll, November 25, 1868, and proceeded to lay out a bridleway as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a stake and stones on the west side of the new road at East Chelmsford, 190 feet from stone bound at the end of the new road; thence westerly 416 feet to a stake at the land of said Driscoll.

The above bridleway is laid out 24 feet wide on the west side of said bounds. We estimated the damage to Michael Brady \$10 which is to be paid by said Driscoll.

Chelmsford, December 11, 1868.

Respectfully submitted

E. F. Dupee  
S. P. Perham - Selectmen

March 1, 1869: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by E. F. Webster, Town Clerk

(Original book page 165).



On the petition of Samuel Blood and others, we, the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, having previously given notice as the law directs, met at the house of Samuel Blood March 25, 1871, and proceeded to lay out a town way as follows:

Beginning at a stake on the west side of the old Canal bank on the land of Samuel Blood and running on said Blood's land 840 feet to the land of James McFarlin and running on said McFarlin's land 133 feet to the land of Michael Reardon and running on said Reardon's land 66 feet to the land of Michael Brady and running on said Brady's land 1325 feet to the land of Owen Lowney, and running on said Lowney's land 360 feet to a stake on the road leading from Chelmsford Center to East Chelmsford.

The above road is laid out two rods wide and on the east side of said bounds. Said road is nearly 165 rods in length. Mr. Blood and Mr. McFarlin agreed to give their land for the road. And we have estimated the damage of said road to Michael Brady \$15 and to Mr. Lowney \$10 and to Mr. Reardon not any damage.

Chelmsford March 27, 1871

Respectfully submitted by

E. F. Dupee  
S. P. Perham - Selectmen

April 8, 1871: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book page 166).



Town Way at NORTH CHELMSFORD over land of BENJAMIN ADAMS and others, near  
TOWN HALL 4/26/1871

On the petition of Benjamin Adams and others, we, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, having previously given notice as the law directs, met on the land of Benjamin Adams April 26, 1871, and proceeded to lay out a town way as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a stone bound on the southerly side of the Turnpike Road; thence running southwesterly 332 feet on the land of Benjamin Adams and S. T. Wright and running on the land of Benjamin Adams and George Hyde 72 feet; thence in the same direction on the land of Benjamin Adams 125 feet to a bound; thence southerly 247 feet on the land of Benjamin Adams to a stone bound at the end of the road running past the house of S. T. Wright.

Said road is laid out on the south and east side of said bounds. That portion of the road running southwesterly is laid out 32 feet wide; that running southerly is laid out 34 feet wide. The length of said road is about 50 rods. The land owners' have agreed to give their land for said road.

Chelmsford, April 26th, 1871

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. Dupee  
S. P. Perham, Selectmen

May 2, 1871: In Town meeting read and accepted.

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book page 167).



On the petition of the inhabitants and taxpayers at West Chelmsford, we, the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, having previously given notice as the law directs, met at the store of John N. Perry, November 29th, 1871, and proceeded to lay out a town way as follows:

Commencing at a stone bound on the Westford town line, running N  $62^{\circ}$  E 64 93/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $54^{\circ}$  E 4 84/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $44^{\circ}$  15' E 5 12/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $30^{\circ}$  E 2 65/100 rods to a stone bound; thence  $26^{\circ}$  E 2 19/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $25^{\circ}$  E 6 54/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $24^{\circ}$  40' E 5 21/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $26^{\circ}$  15' E 8 66/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $36^{\circ}$  15' E 6 57/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $37^{\circ}$  E 4 54/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $35^{\circ}$  15' E 4 12/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $37^{\circ}$  15' E 4 90/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $39^{\circ}$  40' E 12 84/100 rods to a stone bound; thence  $40^{\circ}$  E 5 90/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $29^{\circ}$  30' E 3 39/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $18^{\circ}$  E 3 3/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $16^{\circ}$  W 31 33/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $21^{\circ}$  W 11 27/100 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $17^{\circ}$  W 10 rods to a stone bound; thence N  $17^{\circ}$  15' W 14/36/100 rods to a stone bound as the course of the wall at land of Francis B. Parker.

Said road is about 210 rods in length and is laid out on the south and southeast side of the foregoing bounds. Said road from Westford line to the house of Martha J. Brown is laid out two rods wide; then on an increase in width to three rods wide to the corner of land of C. Roby; then three rods wide to the house of John N. Perry; then on a decrease in width to 44 feet to a stone bound, and the remainder is two rods wide.

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We estimated the damage as follows:

Martha J. Brown	\$ 5
Luther Blodgett	\$13
Mrs. C. Roby	\$25
J. C. Butterfield	\$15
John N. Perry	\$25
George Mills	\$30
Jane Smith	\$ 3
David Ladeuc	\$25
Roby Mfg. Co.	\$60

Chelmsford, April 8th, 1872

Respectfully submitted by

E. F. Dupes  
S. P. Perham  
S. T. Wright - Selectmen

April 20, 1872: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 168-169).



On the petition of P. P. Perham and others, we, the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, having previously given notice as the law directs, met at the house of Henry E. Putnam March 25th, 1872, and proceeded to lay out two pieces of town way as follows:

The first beginning at a stone bound by the wall at the westerly end of the new road; thence running 65 feet N 38° 45' E to a stone bound; thence 109 feet N 32° 30' E to a stone bound; thence 174 feet N 30° E to a stone bound; thence 414½ feet N 39° 30' E to a stone bound; thence 100 feet N 37° 30' E to a stone bound; thence 170 feet N 35° 45' E to a stone bound; thence 105 feet N 26° E to a stone bound. Said road is to be three rods wide and is laid out on the southeast side of the foregoing bounds.

The second piece of town way is as follows: Beginning at the stone bound at the westerly side of the new road; thence running 536 feet N 74° E to a stone bound; thence 91 feet N 60° E to a stone bound; thence 472 feet N 43° 45' E to a stone bound; thence 507 feet N 46° E to a stone bound; Said road is to be three rods wide and is laid out on the south side of the foregoing bounds.

We estimated the damages as follows: To E. P. Spalding, including gravel pit \$40; to Nathaniel Bartlett \$75; to Sarah Meads \$50; to Fannie Smith \$40, Smith Adams \$50.

Chelmsford, March 29th, 1872

Respectfully submitted by

S. P. Perham  
S. T. Wright Selectmen

April 20, 1872: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 170).



(Town way from Boston Road to land of Cooperative Mutual Homestead Company)

On the petition of Joseph Warren and others, we, the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, having previously given notice as the law directs, met at the house of Joseph Warren and proceeded to lay out a town way on February 28th, 1876, as follows:

Beginning at a bound on the easterly side of the Boston Road, so called, at the corner of the wall of land of Joseph Warren; thence running S 83° 50' E by said wall 418½ feet on land of Joseph Warren and in the same parcel 71 feet on land of Israel Putnam to a bound at land of the Mutual Homestead Company. Said way is laid out on the north side of the foregoing bounds and is to be 40 feet wide at its westerly end and 37 feet wide at its easterly end being bounded on its northerly side by the wall by land of Eben H. Marshall running from said Boston Road S 83° 30' E 489½ feet to a bound at land of said Mutual Homestead Company and includes in its limits the old bridle way leading from said Boston Road to land formerly of the late Joel Adams and others. The owners of the land to be taken for this waive all claims for damages except that our understanding with Israel Putnam is that the town will remove the stone within the limits of the way on his land and place them upon his land outside of said limits. And Joseph Warren is allowed one month to remove the trees standing on his land, after the way is accepted by the town.

February 28, 1876

Respectfully submitted by

J. B. Emerson

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J. J. Hoyt - Selectmen

March 6th, 1876: In Town meeting accepted

March 7th, 1876: Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book page 171).



4/27/1876

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Cambridge within and for said County of Middlesex on the first Tuesday of June AD 1876. The petition of the Selectmen of Chelmsford for alteration of an highway in said Chelmsford called the Littleton Road. This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January last when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties as by their order on file will fully appear, and thence said petition was continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows:

The County Commissioners for said County having given all persons and corporations interested therein seasonable notice, as the law directs, met at the Town Hall in Chelmsford on the 27th day of April in the year 1876 and proceeded (no person appearing to make any objections to the straightening and widening of said highway) to make and adjudicate as of common convenience and necessity and to locate the same. The following description is a true description of the said highway as widened and straightened so far as said Commissioners have proceeded under said petition, to wit:

Northerly line: Beginning at a bound 79 feet east of a stone bound in the division line of estates of David Perham and J. C. Kittridge; thence N 78° 30' E over old road 354.6 feet to bound; thence N 86° 20' E over old road 223 feet to bound;

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Southerly line: Beginning at a stone bound opposite the first described bound in the northerly line and 49.5 feet distant therefrom; then N  $77^{\circ} 47'$  E over land of David Perham and R. Proctor 351.6 feet to bound. At the beginning of the southerly line the road is 49.5 feet wide narrowing to 45 feet at last mentioned bound in southerly line; thence the line runs parallel to and 45 feet distant from the above described northerly line to the last mentioned bound in said northerly line. And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the said town of Chelmsford shall on or before the first day of May, which will be in the year 1877, lay open, construct and complete said highway so that 24 feet in width thereof throughout the whole exclusive of gutters on the sides shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with customary loads. The centre of the travelled part shall be the centre of the location. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows:

All obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid, and so shaped that the centre shall be twelve inches higher than the sides by a circular curved surface. All small inequalities shall be reduced to a level, on a regularly inclined plane, and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $3^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Drains, sluices and bridges, constructed of stone and of sufficient capacity, shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water. Swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least three feet and twelve inches on the surface of the whole part to be traveled shall consist of gravel or other material which shall be permanently hard. And permanent stone monuments shall be placed at each end and each angle in said described line. Where excavations are necessary the banks on the sides shall not make a greater angle than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon.



Railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places. And the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And the Commissioners estimate the expense of making said highway in the town of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_. And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of July next to remove therefrom any wood, timber or trees. And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves, or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway have estimated the same as follows: David Perham \$3; R. Proctor \$40.

And the said Commissioners further order that the town of Chelmsford at their expense shall remove and rebuild all walls or fences now standing within the limits of the new location.

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this 6th day of June in the year 1876.

Harrison Harwood  
Daniel G. Walton  
J. Henry Read

Chelmsford, June 9, 1876: Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

And the said Commissioners order that the highway described in said return be and the same is hereby established as and for a public highway and that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such.

And the Commissioners further order that the said several sums of money estimated as damages to said persons of reason of the premises be paid to them respectively out of the Town Treasury of Chelmsford when they shall present to the Town Treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the land lies that the land over which said highway is located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

John J. Sawyer, Assistant Clerk

(Original book pages 172-175)



On the petition of True Morton and others we, the Subscribers, Selectmen of Chelmsford, having previously given notice as the law directs, met on the premises hereinafter described and proceeded to lay out a town way, a continuation of Warren Avenue, so called, March 10, AD 1882, as follows:

Beginning at a bound at the southeasterly corner of Warren Avenue aforesaid at the easterly end thereof at the northwest corner of land of George G. Spofford; thence running E 2° 15' N in a direct line by land of George G. Spofford aforementioned and land formerly belonging to the Cooperative Mutual Homestead Company 949.6 feet to a bound at the northeast corner of land now or formerly of George E. Watson, and numbered 28 on a plan drawn by R. W. Baker, AD 1874, belonging to Cooperative Mutual Homestead Company aforesaid. Said way is laid out on the north side of the foregoing bounds and is to be 40 feet wide throughout its whole course.

Chelmsford, March 20, 1882

Respectfully submitted by

George A. Byam  
Charles W. Flint  
R. Wilson Dix  
John N. Park - Selectmen

In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

Recorded March 27, 1882.

(Original book page 171).



We, the Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, did lay out said town way on the 5th day of March AD 1884, as follows:

Beginning at a stone bound on the easterly side of the highway leading from Chelmsford Central to Lowell at the corner of the fence at land of Moses C. Wilson; thence S 29° 30' E 17½ chains to the highway leading from Chelmsford Center to Billerica.

Said town way is 36 feet wide, four feet of which is over land of said Wilson and 32 feet over land which is forever to be kept open for a public street. Our agreement with said Wilson is that he shall give said land mentioned as belonging to him.

Witness our hands this 7th day of March AD 1884

George A. Byam  
Charles W. Flint  
R. Wilson Dix  
John Q. Battles - Selectmen

Filed in the Town Clerk's office March 8, 1884

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

March 17, 1884: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest and Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk  
March 20, 1884.

(Original book page 177).



On the petition of A. A. Byam and others, we, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, having previously given notice as the law directs, on the 5th day of March AD 1884, proceeded to lay out a highway as follows:

Beginning at a stone set in the ground on the northerly side of the highway leading past the house of John Byam at a point nearly opposite his front door; thence easterly over said Byam's land 39 chains; thence over land of said Byam and Edwin N. Parkhurst 5 chains and 43 links to land of Charles E. Bartlett; thence over said Bartlett's land and said Parkhurst's land 7 chains and 43 links to land of Joseph Warren; thence over said Warren's land 2 chains and 25 links to the highway leading past the house of Solomon Parkhurst. The first 26 chains of said highway are  $2\frac{1}{2}$  rods wide, the remaining distance is two rods wide.

Said way is nearly 110 rods in length. Our agreement with the owners is that they shall give said land. Given under our hands this 7th day of March AD 1884.

George A. Byam  
Charles W. Flint  
R. Wilson Dix  
John Q. Battles - Selectmen

Chelmsford, March 17, 1884: In town meeting accepted.

March 20, 1884: Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book page 178).



We, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, have this day laid out a town way for the use of the inhabitants of said town as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the road leading from West Chelmsford, so called, to Chelmsford Centre, about 200 feet south of the railroad station in said West Chelmsford; thence running 560 feet on land of Oscar Kyle and land of Joseph A. Parkhurst; 100 feet on land of Mrs. M. Smith and land of Joseph A. Parkhurst, 100 feet on land of George H. Mason and land of F. D. Hale, 100 feet on land of E. L. Kirby, on a street and on a public park; 100 feet on said Joseph A. Parkhurst's land and on said park; 100 feet on land of Charles Jordan, on said park and on a street; 100 feet on land of said Joseph A. Parkhurst and land of Samuel Naylor; 100 feet on land of said Naylor, 1560 feet on land of said Joseph A. Parkhurst and land of Christopher Roby to a stone bound at Crooked Spring Road, so called.

Said way is laid out 40 feet wide and on the southerly side of said bounds. All claims for damages by owners of land or abutters are waived.

Chelmsford, March 3, 1885

Charles W. Flint  
R. Wilson Dix  
John Q. Battles - Selectmen

Chelmsford March 16, 1885: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest and recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk, March 21, 1885.

(Original book page 179).



3/10/1887

Chelmsford, March 10, 1887: We, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, having been petitioned by certain legal voters of the town to lay out a town way, among the petitioners being the owner of the land over which said way is to pass, have laid out such a town way as follows:

Beginning at an elm tree on the easterly side of the Boston Road, so called, at land of Israel Putnam, north of said Putnam's barn at a point nearly opposite the terminus of the back road leading past the house of C. H. C. Hall; thence running nearly east through said Putnam's land about 15 rods to land of Joseph Potts; thence continuing the same course through land of said Potts about 11 rods to a point on a street running north past the house of said Potts and about 9 rods south of the same. The said road to be 40 feet wide and on the south side of the above line.

Our agreement with the owners of the land is that it shall be given to the town. And your selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town to accept.

Henry S. Perham  
George F. Snow  
John Q. Battles - Selectmen

Chelmsford, March 21, 1887: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest and recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk, March 24, 1887.

(Original book page 180).



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners holden at Lowell within and for said County on the first Tuesday of June in the year of our Lord 1892, and by adjournment thereof at Cambridge on the third day of September, 1892, the inhabitants of the town of Chelmsford in said County by their petition to said Commissioners - among other matters pray that Main Street in said town from the boundary line between said town and the city of Lowell, and the Adams house, may be widened, straightened and located anew as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case. The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of June, 1892. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows:

The County Commissioners for said County, having given notice as the law directs, met at the Town Hall in said Chelmsford in said County on the 22nd day of July in the year 1892, when and where the parties appeared, to wit: the petitioner by E. H. Shaw and the respondent by J. C. Burke, Esq., and the premises having been examined and all parties fully heard said Commissioners proceeded to lay out said Main Street as prayed for in said petition and the following description is a true description of said Main Street as hereby laid out and ordered:

The northerly line beginning at a stone bound in the boundary line between the city of Lowell and town of Chelmsford; thence on a curve of 993.3 feet radius bearing to the right 417.88 feet to a stone bound; thence N 66° 15' W 868.2 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 682.18 feet radius bearing to the left 230.6 feet to a stone bound; thence N 85° 37' W 489.25 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 995.55 radius bearing to



the right 297.78 feet to a stone bound; thence N 68° 29' W 400.79 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 275.39 feet radius bearing to the right 102.1 feet to an iron bolt; thence N 47° 14' W 1203.35 feet to a stone bound; thence N 61° 16' W 833.95 feet to a stone bound; thence N 59° 54' W 269.37 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 688.75 feet radius bearing to the right 237.55 feet to a stone bound in front of Adams' house.

The southerly line beginning at a stone bound opposite the point of beginning of the above described northerly line and 60 feet therefrom, thence running parallel to and 60 feet therefrom the above described northerly line to a stone bound opposite Station 26 + 31.01 of the above described northerly line; thence on a curve of 474 feet radius bearing to the right 175.85 feet to a stone bound; thence N 47° 14' W 1196.88 feet to a stone bound; thence N 61° 16' W 1244.1 feet to a stone bound.

The above courses are reckoned from the magnetic meridian. The above description is intended to conform to a plan of the same made by Charles Mills and dated 1892 and on which the above described lines are shown in red. All the old County Road is hereby discontinued.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the town of Chelmsford shall on or before the first day of November which will be in the year 1892, lay open, construct and complete said highway so that 25 feet in width throughout the whole exclusive of gutters on the sides shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with customary loads. The centre of the travelled part shall be the centre of the locations. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows:

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All obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid, and so shaped that the center shall be twelve inches higher than the sides by a circular curved surface; and small inequalities shall be reduced to a level, or a regularly inclined plane, and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $3^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Drains, sluices and bridges, constructed of stone and of sufficient capacity, shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water. Swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least three feet; and ten inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other material which shall be permanently hard; and permanent stone monuments shall be placed at each end and at each angle in said described lines. Where excavations are necessary the banks on the sides shall not make a greater angle than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places. And all walls and fences removed to the new lines of the street. And the whole shall be done to the acceptance of said Commissioners in a workmanlike manner. And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of October next to remove therefrom any wood, timber or trees.

And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves, or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out highway, have estimated the same as follows, to wit: Sarah H. W. Parker \$40; Oliver Fiske \$50; Patrick McManomin \$100; Peter Connor \$30; Percy Parker \$60; H. K. Ferrin \$60; Clara A. H. Adams \$10; O. M. Green \$5; Mrs. Lucy Woodward \$5; Timothy Sullivan \$30. And the said Commissioners further order and determine that the sum of \$600 is a fair and just proportion of the expenses of said alterations to be paid by the County.



And said sum shall be paid out of the County Treasury with the Town of Chelmsford treasury whenever the Selectmen of said town shall present a certificate certifying that all claims by reason of said alterations have been settled and said street shall be completed to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the said town of Chelmsford shall pay all damages, costs and expenses (if any) not included in the above award that any party may by legal process obtain in consequence of said alterations throughout the whole of said highway as hereby widened, straightened, altered and established. And the said Commissioners further order that the several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises be paid to them respectively out of the town treasury of Chelmsford when they shall present to the Town Treasurer of Chelmsford a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the said highway is located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this 6th day of September in the year of our Lord 1892.

J. Henry Read  
William S. Frost  
Samuel O. Upham

A true copy of record, attest: John L. Ambrose, Assistant Clerk

Chelmsford: Received and recorded September 7, 1892.  
George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 181-186).



3/10/1893

We, the Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out such town way as follows:

Beginning at a point near the house of Charles E. Bartlett and running southerly through land of C. E. A. Bartlett about 109 rods to estate of John Fay; thence continuing the same course through land of said Estate 21 rods to the Acton Road. Width of said street is to be three rods.

We have estimated the land damages as the law directs at \$75 on the Fay estate for laying wall on southerly side of said street. Estimated cost of making the street passable \$300. Given under our hands this 10th day of March, 1893.

Eben T. Adams  
Martin Robbins  
Nevell E. Parker - Selectmen

Clerk's office, Chelmsford: Received and filed 3/13/1893.

Chelmsford, March 20, 1893: In Town Meeting read and accepted.  
Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book page 187).



On petition of H. E. Shaw and others, we, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way known as Dartmouth Street, have laid out said way as follows:

Beginning at a point near the Lowell line at North Chelmsford on Middlesex Street and running southerly to Princeton Street 426 feet. Said town way to be 40 feet wide. All claims for damages by owners or abutters are waived.

Chelmsford, March 8, 1893

Eben T. Adams  
Martin Robins  
Newell E. Parker - Selectmen

March 13, 1893: Town Clerk's Office: Received and filed.

March 20, 1893: In Town Meeting read and accepted.  
George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 186).



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Lowell within and for said County on the first Tuesday of September, 1893. The inhabitants of Chelmsford in said County, by their petition to said Commissioners, among other matters, pray for a re-location of the highway being a continuation of Gorham Street from the dividing line between said town and the city of Lowell, to the dividing line between said town and the town of Billerica as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case. The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January last where and when said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place where and when they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties as by their order of notice on file and of record in the case will more fully appear. Thence said petition was continued to the meeting of said Commissioners held at said Cambridge on the first Tuesday of June, then next, when and where said Commissioners adjudged that said relocation was of common convenience and necessity. And thence said petition was continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows:

The County Commissioners for said County having given notice as the law directs, met at the Court House in Lowell in said County on the 10th day of July, 1893, when and where the parties appeared to wit: the petitioner by J. Adams Bartlett, and no person appeared to object. And the premises having been examined, and all parties fully heard, said Commissioners proceeded to

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lay out said road as prayed for in said petition and the following description of said road as hereby laid out and ordered:

The westerly line beginning at the centre of the stone monument on the westerly side of said street, marking the boundary line between the city of Lowell and the town of Chelmsford; thence S  $1^{\circ} 00'$  E 3,074 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 1,124.57 feet radius bearing to the left 208.68 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $11^{\circ} 38'$  E 374.6 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 1,030.75 feet radius bearing to the left 209.36 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $23^{\circ} 16'$  E 315.5 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 647.7 feet radius bearing to the right 361.77 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $8^{\circ} 45'$  W 372.13 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 477 feet radius bearing to the right 264.63 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $40^{\circ} 33'$  110.5 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 661.77 feet radius bearing to the left 86 feet to a point in the boundary line between the towns of Chelmsford and Billerica, said point being distant S  $44^{\circ} 42'$  W 188.2 feet from the stone monument on the westerly side of said street marking the boundary line between said towns.

The easterly line is parallel to and 50 feet distant from the above described westerly line. The above courses are reckoned from the magnetic meridian. The above description is intended to conform to a plan made by Charles Mills, dated 1893, on which the above described lines are shown in red.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the said town of Chelmsford shall on or before the first day of January which will be in the year 1895 lay out, construct and complete said highway so

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that 25 feet in width thereof throughout the whole, exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with customary loads. The centre of the travelled part shall be the centre of the location. All obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width of aforesaid, and so shaped that the centre shall be twelve inches higher than the sides by a circular curved surface. All small inequalities shall be reduced to a level or a regularly inclined plane, and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $3^{\circ}$  with the horizon; drains, sluices and bridges, constructed of stone and of sufficient capacity, shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water. Swamps and soft bottoms shall be raised at least three feet; and twelve inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other material which shall be permanently hard. And permanent stone monuments shall be placed at each end, and at each angle, in said described line. Where excavations are necessary, the banks on the sides shall not make a greater angle than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places. And all walls and fences removed to the new lines of street. And the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of the Commissioners. And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of March, next, to remove therefrom any wood, timber or trees. And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway have estimated the same as follows, to wit: George Suttle \$100; R. Wilson Dix \$90; George Durant \$20.



And the said Commissioners further order and determine that the sum of \$500 is a fair and just proportion of the expense of said alterations to be paid by the County. And said sum shall be paid out of the County Treasury into the Town Treasury of Chelmsford whenever the Selectmen of said town shall present a certificate certifying that all claims by reason of said alterations have been settled and said street shall be completed to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the said town of Chelmsford shall pay all damages, costs and expenses (if any) not included in the above award, that any party may by legal process obtain in consequence of said alterations throughout the whole of said highway as hereby widened, straightened, altered and established. And the said Commissioners further order that the highway described in said return be, and the same is hereby established, as and for a public highway, and the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such. And the said Commissioners further order that the several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises be paid to them respectively out of the town treasury of Chelmsford when they shall present to the town treasurer of Chelmsford a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the land lies, that the land over which said highway is located has been entered and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway. In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners have hereunto set our hands this 30th day of December, 1893.

J. Henry Read  
Samuel O. Upham  
Francis Bigelow

A true copy of record. Attest: William C. Dillingham, Assistant Clerk.

Chelmsford, January 24, 1894: At 8 o'clock A.M. received and recorded.  
George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 189-194).



We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out such town way as follows:

Beginning at a stone post on the easterly side of the road leading from Chelmsford to Nashua, opposite the Congregational Church; thence running easterly 70 rods over land of J. M. Fletcher to corner of wall at land of A. B. Adams; thence continuing southeasterly  $16 \frac{1}{3}$  rods through land of A. B. Adams to a stone post where said proposed way intersects the highway leading from Chelmsford to Lowell.

The said town way to be 40 feet wide, northerly from said lines.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance. In behalf of the selectmen

E. T. Adams, Chairman

Chelmsford, March 8, 1894.

March 19, 1894: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 194).



(CHELMSFORD STREET)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Lowell within and for said County on the first Tuesday of September in the year 1893, the citizens of the town of Chelmsford in said County by their petition to said Commissioners among other matters pray that the highway in said town being a continuation of Chelmsford Street from the dividing line between the town of Chelmsford and the city of Lowell to a point at or near the Post Office in said town be relocated as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case. The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January, AD 1893, when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties as by their order of notice on file and of record in the case will more fully appear. Thence said petition was continued to the then next meeting of said Commissioners held at said Cambridge on the first Tuesday of June AD 1893, when and where said Commissioners adjudged said alterations to be of common convenience and necessity and thence said petition was continued to this time.

And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows: The County Commissioners for said County having given notice as the law directs, met at the Court House in Lowell in said County on the 10th day of July, 1893, when and where the parties appeared, to wit: the petitioner by J. Adams Bartlett, and no person appeared to object. And the premises having been examined and all parties fully heard, said Commissioners



proceeded to lay out said Chelmsford Street as prayed for in said petition and the following description is a true description of said Chelmsford Street as hereby laid out and ordered.

The northerly line beginning at a stone bound the northerly side of said street in the boundary line between the town of Chelmsford and the city of Lowell, said bound being distant N  $34^{\circ} 15'$  W 10/62/100 (10.62) feet from stone monument on the northerly side of said street making said boundary line; thence S  $74^{\circ} 30'$  W 577.45 feet to a stone bound at Station (5 + 77.45); thence on a curve of 849.64 feet radius, bearing to the right 179.4 feet to a stone bound at station (7 + 56.85); thence S  $86^{\circ} 36'$  W 637 feet to a stone bound at station (13 + 93.85); thence S  $82^{\circ} 17'$  W 847.05 feet to a stone bound at station (22 + 40.90); thence on a curve of 716.8 feet radius bearing to the left 258.22 feet to a stone bound at station (24 + 99.12); thence S  $61^{\circ} 36'$  W 1135.45 feet to a stone bound at station (36 + 34.57); thence on a curve of 1422.88 feet radius bearing to the left 304.9 feet to a stone bound at station (39 + 39.47); thence S  $49^{\circ} 20'$  W 402.6 feet to a stone bound at station (43 + 42.07); thence on a curve of 940.5 feet radius bearing to the left 153.7 feet to a stone bound at station (44 + 95.77); thence S  $39^{\circ} 58'$  W 207.35 feet to a stone bound at station (47 + .03.12); thence on a curve of 868.85 feet radius bearing to the right 183.86 feet to a stone bound at station (48 + 86.98); thence S  $52^{\circ} 06'$  W 910.28 feet to a stone bound at station (57 + 97.26); thence on a curve of 735.8 feet radius bearing to the left 198.66 feet to a stone bound at station (59 + 95.92; thence S  $36^{\circ} 37'$  W 476.6 feet to a stone bound at station (64 + 72.52; thence on a curve of 1109.73 feet radius bearing to the right 199.69 feet to a stone bound at station (66 + 72.21); thence S  $46^{\circ} 44'$  W 2267.14 feet to a stone bound at station (89 + 39.35).

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The southerly line beginning at a stone bound in the boundary line between the town of Chelmsford and the city of Lowell, said bound being distant S  $34^{\circ} 38'$  E 52.92 feet from the stone monument on the northerly side of said street marking said boundary line; thence parallel to the above described northerly line and 60 feet distant therefrom to a point opposite station (36 + 34.57) of said northerly line; thence S  $61^{\circ} 36'$  W 94.05 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 930.6 feet radius bearing to the left 199.15 feet to a stone bound opposite station (39 + 39.47) of said northerly line and 50 feet distant therefrom; thence parallel to said northerly line and 50 feet distance therefrom to its terminus.

The above courses are reckoned from the magnetic meridian. The above described description is intended to conform to a plan of said Chelmsford Street made by Charles Mills, dated 1893, on which the above described lines are shown in red.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of said town of Chelmsford shall on or before the first day of January which will be in the year 1895, lay open, construct and complete said highway so that 25 feet in width thereof throughout the whole, exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with customary loads. The centre of the travelled part shall be the centre of the location. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows: All obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid, and so shaped that the centre shall be 12 inches higher than the sides by a circular curved surface. All small irregularities shall be reduced to a level or a regularly inclined plane and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $3^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Drains, sluices and



bridges, constructed of stone and of sufficient capacity, shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water. Swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least three feet, and 12 inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other material which shall be permanently hard. And permanent stone monuments shall be placed at each end and at each angle in said described line. Where excavations are necessary the banks on the sides shall not make a greater angle than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places and all walls and fences removed to the new lines of the street. And the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of said Commissioners. And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of April next to remove therefrom any wood, timber or trees. And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves or their agents on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway have estimated the same as follows, to wit: Said Commissioners further order and determine that the sum of \$800 is a fair and just proportion of the expenses of said alterations to be paid by said County. And said sum shall be paid out of the County treasury unto the town treasury of Chelmsford whenever the selectmen of said town shall present a certificate certifying that all claims by reason of said alterations have been settled and said street shall be completed to the acceptance of the said Commissioners.

And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the said town of Chelmsford shall pay all damages, costs and expenses (if any) not included in the above award, that any party by legal process obtain in consequence of said alterations throughout the whole of said highway as



hereby widened, straightened, altered and established. And the said Commissioners further order that the highway described in said return be and the said is hereby established as and for a public highway and that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such.

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners, have hereto set our hands this 30th day of December in the year of our Lord 1893.

J. Henry Read  
Samuel O. Upham  
Francis Bigelow

A true copy of record, attest: William C. Dillingham, Assistant Clerk.

Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 195-200).



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, holden at Lowell within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of September in the year of our Lord 1894. The Selectmen of Chelmsford in said County, by their petition to said Commissioners - among other matters - pray that said alterations be made in the crossing of the town way and the location of tracks of the Stony Brook Railroad Corporation at West Chelmsford, in said Chelmsford, and the approaches thereto and the bridge across Stony Brook as will more fully appear reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case.

The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of January AD 1894, when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premise and hearing the parties as by their order of notice on file and of record in the case will more fully appear. Thence said petition was continued to the then next meeting of said Commissioners holden at said Cambridge on the first Tuesday of June, AD 1894, when and where said Commissioners adjudged said alterations to be of common convenience and necessity. And thence said petition was continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows:

The County Commissioners for the said County, having given notice as the law directs, met at the West Chelmsford station of the Boston and Maine Railroad in said County on the 27th day of September, 1894, when and where the parties appeared, to wit: the petitioner by F. A. Fisher; and members of the board of Selectmen and the respondent by George F. Richardson for the



Boston and Maine Railroad Company. The premises having been examined and the parties fully heard, said Commissioners decided that alterations were necessary and proceeded to prescribe the manner and limits within which said alterations shall be made as by the following description will more fully appear.

FIRST: The stone arch bridge over Stony Brook shall be extended on its northeasterly side until it meets the street line. The quality of masonry shall be equal to that used in the present structure.

SECOND: The retaining wall on the northeasterly side of the present road from a point near the house of Whidden, now or formerly used as the post office, to the junction of said wall with said arched bridge shall be rebuilt on the street line to join the arch bridge as extended according to the paragraph above.

THIRD: The roadway from a point about 500 feet northwesterly of the track of the railroad to a point about 300 feet southeasterly of said track shall be at least 30 feet wide exclusive of gutters on the sides and so shaped that the centre shall be 12 inches higher than the sides by a circular curved surface. The centre of the travelled part shall be the centre of the location of the street. The roadway shall be well graded and sufficient thickness on the surface shall be of gravel or other material which shall be permanently hard.

The above changes are shown on a plan entitled "West Chelmsford Crossing" dated 1894, made by F. H. Kendall, the plan showing changes in red.

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The whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner and to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And said Commissioners order that said return be accepted and recorded and all the matters therein ordered be done and performed accordingly.

In witness whereof, the said County Commissioners have hereunto set their hands this 4th day of December in the year 1894.

J. Henry Read  
Samuel G. Upham  
Francis Bigelow

A true copy of record: Attest: Theodore C. Hurd

December 14, 1894: Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 201-203).



State Highway near NORTH CHELMSFORD

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January in the year of our Lord 1895. Fisher A. Pearson, and others, of Lowell and Chelmsford in said County, by their petition to said Commissioners, among other matters pray for a state highway from the junction of Princeton and Wilder Streets in Lowell to the junction of the roads at or near the Adams House in North Chelmsford, as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case. The petitioner was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Lowell within and for said County on the first Tuesday of September AD 1893 - to wit by adjournment at Cambridge on December 26, 1893, and after due notice to all persons and corporations interested and a full view of the premises and hearing as required by law, did at their meeting holden at Cambridge on the first Tuesday of January, 1894, to wit, on the 3rd day of April, 1894, adjudge said highway to be of common convenience and necessity and thence said petition was continued from time to time. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows:

The County Commissioners for said County having given notice as the law directs, met at the Court House in Lowell in said County on the 16th day of May, 1894, when and where the parties appeared, to wit: the petitioners by James T. Smith and no person appeared to object. And the premises having been examined, and all parties fully heard, said Commissioners proceeded to lay out said highway and the following description is a true description of said highway as hereby laid out and ordered:

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The southerly line beginning at a stone bound in the city of Lowell at the southerly line of Princeton Street, said bound being at the termination of a curve connecting the said southerly line with the westerly line of Windsor Street; thence N  $88^{\circ}$  W 1508 feet to a stone bound at the station (15 + 08); thence on a curve of 2,002.84 feet radius bearing to the left 199.84 feet to a stone bound at station (17 + 07.84); thence S  $86^{\circ}$  17' W 639.6 feet to a point at station (23 + 47.46); thence N  $82^{\circ}$  17' W 392.17 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $85^{\circ}$  08' W 229.34 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve 2,082.84 feet radius bearing to the right 650.33 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $63^{\circ}$  56' W 656.77 feet to a stone bound.

The northerly line is parallel to the above described southerly line and 50 feet distant therefrom from a point opposite station (0) of said southerly line to a stone bound opposite to station (22 + 47.46) of said southerly line; thence said northerly line bears to the right with a curve 948.93 feet radius, 189.27 feet to a stone bound; thence said northerly line is parallel to said southerly line and 50 feet distant therefrom to its terminus. The said southerly line intersects the easterly line of Pine Street with a curve of 35.12 feet radius and intersects the westerly line of said Pine Street with a curve of 110.69 feet radius.

The above courses are reckoned from the magnetic meridian and the description is intended to conform to a plan made by F. H. Kendell and dated 1895, on which the above described lines are shown in red.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of said town of Chelmsford and said City of Lowell shall on or before the first day of January, which will be in the year 1896, lay open, construct and complete

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said highway so that 30 feet in width thereof throughout the whole exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with customary loads. The centre of the travelled part shall be the centre of the location. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows: All obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid, and so shaped that the centre shall be ten inches higher than the sides by a circular curved surface. All small inequalities shall be reduced to a level or a regularly inclined plane and greater rises and hills to an angle not exceeding  $3^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Drains, sluices and bridges, constructed of stone and of sufficient capacity, shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water. Swampy and soft bottoms shall be raised at least three feet and ( ) inches on the surface of the whole part to be travelled upon shall consist of gravel or other material which shall be permanently hard. And permanent stone monuments shall be placed at each end and at each angle in said described line. Where excavations are necessary the banks on the sides shall not make a greater angle than  $45^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places and all fences and walls removed to the new lines of the street. And the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And the proprietors, or occupants of the land over which said highway is thus laid out, are allowed until the first day of June next to remove therefrom any wood, timber or trees. And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves, or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway have estimated the same as follows:

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William E. Livingston \$300; Maria and Sarah J. Swan \$200; William J. Marshall \$100; Justus Nette \$650; Frank C. Beharrell, et als, \$180; Alonzo Falls \$400; George W. McIntire \$60.

And the said Commissioners further order and determine that the sum of \$5,000 is a fair and just proportion of the expenses of said alterations to be paid by the County. And said sum shall be paid out of the County treasury into the city treasury of Lowell whenever the Mayor of said city shall present a certificate certifying that all claims of reason of said alterations have been settled and said street shall be completed to the acceptance of the said Commissioners. And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the said city of Lowell and said town of Chelmsford shall pay all damages, costs and expenses (if any) not included in the above award, that any party may by legal process obtain in consequence of said location and construction throughout the whole of said highway as hereby widened, straightened, altered and established.

And the said Commissioners further order that the highway described in said return be and the same is hereby established as and for a public highway and that the same be recorded to the end that the said way hereafter be known as such. And the said Commissioners further order that the said several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises be paid to them respectively out of the city of Lowell treasury when they shall present to the city treasurer a certificate signed by the Mayor of the city in which the land lies that the land over which said highway is located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

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In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this 26th day of March in the year of our Lord 1895.

J. Henry Read  
Samuel O. Upham  
Francis Bigelow

A true copy of record: Attest: Theodore C. Hurd, Clerk

Chelmsford, April 5, 1895: Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 204-209).



We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the law in relation to notifying owners of the land over which we were petitioned to widen and straighten Bridge Street between Westford Street and the land of Charles E. Parkhurst, have laid out such town way as follows:

The southerly line is described by beginning at a drill hole in the centre of a stone post which post marks the northeast corner of Daniel Haley's land; thence the line runs S  $84^{\circ} 6'$  W 115.95 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curved line of 149.1 feet radius bearing to the left about 65 feet.

The northerly line beginning at a stone bound at a point which is N  $9^{\circ} 50'$  W 40 feet from the first mentioned bound; thence S  $82^{\circ} 18' 22''$  W 162.2 feet to a stone bound and at this point the street is 35 feet wide; thence by a curved line 184.1 feet radius bearing to the left and parallel with and 35 feet from the curve described in said south line about 76 feet.

We have awarded to the owners of the land taken to widen said Bridge Street as follows: William A. Hoyt \$125; Daniel Haley \$25.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report the widening of said street to the town for its acceptance.

Arthur H. Sheldon  
Joseph E. Warren  
Joseph A. Parkhurst  
Newell E. Parker  
William H. Shedd - Selectmen

Chelmsford, March 9, 1896

March 16, 1896: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk, March 21, 1896.

(Original book pages 209-210).



We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of the land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out such town way as follows:

Beginning at the northwest corner of said Washington Street and Canal Street at a stone bound; thence S 61° W 297.1 feet to a stone bound. Said street is 40 feet wide on the easterly side of the line described.

Our agreement with the owners of the land over which said town way passes is that all land required for proposed street is given without any charge to the town.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance and when accepted to be known and designated as Washington Street.

Dated at Chelmsford this 29th day of February AD 1896.

Arthur H. Sheldon  
Joseph E. Warren  
Joseph A. Parkhurst - Selectmen

March 16, 1896: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book page 210).



Extension of CANAL STREET to Groton Road - 2/29/1896

We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out such town way and the south line is described as follows:

Beginning at a point where the west line of Wright Street would intersect the south line of Canal Street at a stone bound; thence N  $31^{\circ} 15'$  W 303½ feet to a stone bound; thence N  $37^{\circ} 27'$  W 898.1 feet to a stone bound at the Groton Road, so called.

The north line beginning at a stone bound at the northwest corner of Wright and Canal Streets, being N  $62^{\circ} 8'$  E 34.2 feet from the first mentioned bound; thence N  $30^{\circ} 6'$  W 309.8 feet to a stone bound which is 40 feet northerly and at right angles from the second described course of the said south line; thence the line is parallel with and 40 feet from the second course of the southerly line to the Groton Road.

Our agreement with the owners of the land over which said town way passes is that all land required for proposed street is given without any charge to the town.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance and when accepted to be known and designated as Canal Street.

Dated at Chelmsford this 29th day of February AD 1896.

Arthur H. Sheldon  
Joseph E. Warren  
Joseph A. Parkhurst, - Selectmen

March 16, 1896: In Town Meeting read and accepted.  
Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book page 211).



(TYNGSBOROUGH ROAD)

We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying owners of land over which we were petitioned to widen and straighten the above town way have laid out such town way as follows:

Beginning at a stone bound near the westerly end of the Adams house, said bound being the westerly end of the road leading from North Chelmsford to Lowell as laid out by the County Commissioners of Middlesex County, and at the westerly end of a curve having a radius of 688.75 feet; thence N  $40^{\circ} 06' 30''$  W tangent to said curve 237.3 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $37^{\circ} 45' 30''$  W 1,260.6 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $37^{\circ} 38' 30''$  W 2,286.2 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 3,372.2 feet 259.04 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 3,000.1 feet, 618.78 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $30^{\circ} 13' 30''$  W tangent to said curve 1,501.6 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 966.79 feet, 407.26 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $5^{\circ} 55' 30''$  W tangent to said curve 219.76 feet to a stone bound in the boundary line between Chelmsford and Tyngsborough. The above described line is the easterly line of said road.

The westerly line line begins at North Chelmsford at the intersection of said line with the easterly line of the road leading from North Chelmsford to Dunstable and runs parallel with and 50 feet distant from the easterly line to a point opposite the beginning of the last described curve. From this point the line continues N  $30^{\circ} 13' 30''$  W 97 feet to a stone bound at the northerly line of a cross road. From the northerly line of said cross road the line runs by the wall about 105 feet; thence by a curve to the left having a

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a radius of 74 feet; 9 feet thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 1,016.79 feet, 118 feet to a stone bound being 50 feet westerly from a stone bound in the easterly line of said road; thence N 5° 55' 30" W 216.84 feet to a stone bound in the boundary line between Chelmsford and Tyngsborough, which bound is 50.08 feet westerly from the stone bound in the easterly line of said road.

We have awarded to the owners of the land taken to widen said town way as follows: James S. Wotton \$100; Mrs. John H. Butterfield \$75; Mrs. Mary A. Gray \$40; Miss Elizabeth H. Davis \$5; Harry R. Warley \$2.50; Nashau and Lowell Railroad Co. \$25; Frank A. Mallory \$15; Albert H. Spaulding \$150; Mrs. Albert H. Spaulding \$25; Joshua F. Davis \$60; Charles O. Connell \$15; B. J. Wotton \$3; Mrs. Jennie R. Hooke \$17; Abby F. Sleeper \$5. Total \$537.50.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report the widening of said town way to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
William H. Shedd  
Arthur H. Sheldon - Selectmen

August 14, 1897: Filed in office of Town Clerk.

August 28, 1897: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 212-213).



Old Road from Middlesex Turnpike to Westford Road - Boundaries established and Defined. 9/9/1897.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Lowell within and for said County on the first Tuesday of September in the year of our Lord 1897. The inhabitants of Chelmsford in said County by their petitioners to said Commissioners among other matters pray that an old road from the Middlesex Turnpike to the Westford Road may be laid out and that the boundaries thereof be established, marked and defined, the Selectmen of Chelmsford having unreasonably refused and neglected so to do, as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case.

The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge, within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of January AD 1897, when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties as by their order of notice on file and of record will more fully appear. And thence said petition was continued to the then next meeting of said Commissioners holden at Cambridge within and for said County on the first Tuesday of June when and where said establishment of said bounds was adjudged of common convenience and necessity and also that the Selectmen of said Chelmsford had unreasonably refused and neglected to lay out said way and thence said petition was continued to this time.

And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows: The County Commissioners for said County having given notice as the law directs, met at the public hall at North Chelmsford in said County on the 9th day of September in the year 1897, when and where

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the parties appeared, to wit: the petitioner by John J. Shaw and others, and no persons appeared to object. The premises having been examined and the parties fully heard, said Commissioners proceeded to lay out said way as prayed for in said petition. The following is a true description of said way as hereby ordered and laid out:

The westerly end beginning at a stone bound in the southerly line of the turnpike, said bound being distant S  $28^{\circ} 50'$  E 506.68 feet from a stone bound marking an angle in said line opposite Depot Street. Thence on a curve of 94.77 feet radius bearing to the right 92.02 feet to a stone bound at station (0 + 92.02); thence S  $26^{\circ} 48'$  W 336.95 feet to a stone bound at station (4 + 28.97); thence on a curve of 296.36 feet radius bearing to the right 277.72 feet to a stone bound at station (7 + 06.09); thence S  $80^{\circ} 29' 30''$  W 60.01 feet to a stone bound at station 7 + 66.79); thence on a curve of 420.53 feet radius bearing to the left 436.03 feet to a stone bound at station (12 + 02.82); thence S  $21^{\circ} 13' 30''$  W 226.4 feet to a stone bound at station (14 + 29.22); thence on a curve of 232.49 feet radius bearing to the right 106.44 feet to a stone bound at station (15 + 35.66); thence S  $47^{\circ} 27' 30''$  W 392.45 feet to a stone bound at station (19 + 28.11); thence on a curve of 838.34 feet radius bearing to the left 295.81 feet to a stone bound at station (22 + 23.92); thence S  $27^{\circ} 14' 30''$  W 190.78 feet to a stone bound at station (24 + 14.70); thence on a curve of 498.17 feet radius bearing to the left 207.51 feet to a stone bound at station (26 + 22.21); thence on a curve of 928.49 feet radius bearing to the right 240.72 feet to a stone bound at station (28 + 62.93); thence S  $18^{\circ} 14'$  W 659.18 feet to a stone bound at station (35 + 22.11); thence on a curve of 688.04 feet radius bearing to the right 191.74 feet to a stone bound at station (37 + 13.85); thence on a curve of 709.7 feet radius

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bearing to the left 211.81 feet to a stone bound at station (39 + 25.66);  
thence S 17° 6' W 285.42 feet to a stone bound at station (42 + 11.08);  
thence S 10° 36' W 395.24 feet to a stone bound at station (46 + 06.32);  
thence on a curve of 331.48 radius bearing to the left 226.32 feet to a stone  
bound at station (48 + 32.64); thence S 28° 31' E 450.06 to a stone bound at  
station (52 + 82.70).

The easterly line beginning at a stone bound in the southerly line of  
the Turnpike, said bound being distant S 28° 50' E 110.57 feet from the stone  
bound marking the beginning of the above described westerly line, is thence  
parallel to and 50 feet distant from said westerly line to a point opposite  
to station (52 + 28.69). Thence on a curve of 392.79 feet radius bearing to  
the left 195.84 feet to a stone bound near the northerly line of the Westford  
Road. The easterly connection of the above road with the Turnpike is as  
follows:

The easterly line beginning at a stone bound in the southerly line of  
said Turnpike, said bound being distant S 28° 50' E 343.02 feet from a stone  
bound marking the beginning of the easterly line of the road first described,  
is thence on a curve of 74.72 feet radius bearing to the left 81.01 feet to a  
stone bound; thence S 89° 3' W 178.16 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve  
of 91.08 feet radius bearing to the left 98.95 feet to a stone bound opposite  
to and 50 feet distant from the stone bound at station (4 + 28.97) in the  
westerly line of the road first described.

The westerly line beginning at a stone bound in the southerly line of  
the Turnpike, distant N 28° 50' W 101.57 feet from the stone bound marking the  
beginning of the above described easterly line, is thence S 89° 3' W 225.4 feet  
to a stone bound in the easterly line of the road first described.

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The above courses are reckoned from the magnetic meridian and the description is intended to conform to a plan of said road, dated 1897, signed by F. H. Kendall, Engineer, on which the above described lines are drawn in red.

And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the inhabitants of the said town of Chelmsford shall on or before the first day of January which will be in the year of our Lord 1899, lay open, construct and complete said road so that 20 feet in width thereof through the whole, exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with customary loads. The entire center of the travelled part shall be the centre of the location. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows: All obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid and the road bed shall be so shaped that the centre shall be ten inches higher than the sides by a circular curved surface. Drains, sluices and culverts, properly constructed, shall be made at all places necessary for conducting away the water. And eight inches of the surface to be traveled upon for a width of fifteen feet shall consist of gravel or other material which will give a good wearing surface. Where excavations or embankments are necessary, the banks on the sides shall not make a greater angle than  $33\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  with the horizon. Railings shall be erected at all dangerous and steep places. And all walls and fences removed from within the new lines of the street. The rate of grade shall not exceed five feet in one hundred feet. The whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And the proprietors, or occupants of lands over which said way is thus laid out, are allowed until the first day of May next to remove therefrom any wood, timber or trees.

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And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves, or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway, have estimated the same as follows:

E. H. Shaw \$50; Francis Donegham \$50; William McClure \$50.

And the Commissioners further determine and order that the said town of Chelmsford shall pay all damages, costs and expenses (if any) not included in the above award, that any party may by legal process obtain in consequence of said relocation and alterations throughout the whole of said way as hereby widened, straightened, altered and established. And the said Commissioners further order that the said several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons, by reason of the premises, be paid to them respectively out of the town treasury when they shall present to the town treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the land lies that the land over which said town way is located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said town way.

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners, have herewith set our hands this 22nd day of December in the year of our Lord 1897.

Levi S. Gould  
Samuel O. Upham  
Francis Bigelow

A true copy of record: John S. Ambrose, Assistant Clerk.

Chelmsford, December 29, 1897: Received and recorded. George A. Parkhurst,  
Town Clerk

(Original book pages 214-220).



We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out said town way as follows:

Beginning at a stone bound in the east line of the Turnpike near the house of Henry Miner, said bound being one foot northerly from a stone bound set by the County Commissioners marking the line of said Turnpike; thence N 84° 54' 10" E 467.86 feet to a stone bound at the road leading from said Turnpike to the Boston & Maine Railroad Station. Said last named bound being the northeast corner of the aforesaid Henry Miner's land. Said street is 45 feet wide on the north side of the above described line and the north line intersects the east line of the Turnpike by a curved line of 31.5 feet radius and intersects the westerly line of the road leading to the Boston & Maine Railroad Station with a curved line of 31.5 feet radius.

This description is intended to conform to a plan of said street surveyed by O. N. Snill, C. E., January 1898.

All land for said town way is given by the heirs of Benjamin Adams, deceased, without any expense to the town.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance. Dated at Chelmsford this first day of March AD 1898.

Arthur H. Sheldon  
Joseph E. Warren  
Joseph A. Parkhurst  
Walter R. Winning  
William H. Shedd - Selectmen

March 28, 1898: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attested and recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 221).



We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way have laid out such town way as follows:

1st: Extension of WARREN AVENUE from stone bound at northeasterly corner of Lot #28 as per plan drawn by R. W. Baker, AD 1874, of "Homestead land"; thence easterly 318.41 feet to stone bound.

2nd: Extension of PUTNAM AVENUE from the intersection of the first <sup>\*</sup> street running north and south; thence easterly 831.68 feet intersecting with the third <sup>\*</sup> street as per plan drawn by O. F. Osgood, C.E., Dec. 1897.

3rd: Extension of FIRST STREET running northerly from Warren Avenue 640.29 feet to a stone bound and easterly from said avenue 640.29 feet to the intersection of Putnam Avenue.

4th: SECOND STREET as per plan by said Osgood running northerly from said Warren Avenue 640.29 feet to a stone bound.

5th: THIRD STREET as per plan running southerly from Warren Avenue 640.29 feet to and intersecting with Putnam Avenue.

All land for said town ways is given and graded without any expense to the town. And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town ways to the town for its acceptance. Dated at Chelmsford this 16th day of March AD 1898.

Joseph E. Warren  
Walter R. Winning  
William H. Shedd  
Arthur H. Sheldon  
Joseph A. Parkhurst, Selectmen

March 28, 1898: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Recorded and Attested by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

\* Now known as First and Third Streets.

(Original book page 222).



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Lowell within and for said County on the first Tuesday of September in the year of our Lord 1898. The inhabitants of Chelmsford in said County, by their petition to said Commissioners among other matters pray that the Groton Road from Main Street at North Chelmsford to the Westford line may be relocated as will more fully appear, reference being made to the petition filed of record in the case. The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge within and for said County on the first day of June, AD 1898, when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein, of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties as by their order of notice on file and of record will more fully appear. And thence said petition was continued to the then next meeting, which is the present meeting, when at an adjournment thereof, to wit, on the 19th day of September, 1898, said relocation was adjudged of common convenience and necessity. And thence said petition hath been continued to this time.

And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows: The County Commissioners for said County having given notice as the law directs, met at the public hall at North Chelmsford in Chelmsford in said County on the 14th day of November in the year 1898, when and where the parties appeared and no persons appeared to object. The premises having been examined and the parties fully heard, said Commissioners proceeded to relocate said Groton Road as prayed for in said petition and the following description is a true description of said road as hereby laid out and ordered:

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The northerly line beginning at the stone bound marking the boundary line between the town of Westford and Chelmsford; thence N  $78^{\circ} 30' 30''$  E 1,663.85 feet to a stone bound at sta. 16 + 63.85; thence N  $73^{\circ}$  E 2,486.75 feet to a stone bound at sta. 41 + 50.60; thence N  $76^{\circ} 14'$  E 168.34 feet to a stone bound at sta. 43 + 18.94; thence N  $82^{\circ} 29' 30''$  E 310.83 feet to a stone bound at sta. 46 + 29.77; thence on a curve 859.18 feet radius bearing to the left 326.14 feet to a stone bound at sta. 49 + 56.17; thence N  $60^{\circ} 43' 30''$  E 99.2 feet to a stone bound at sta. 50 + 55.37; thence on a curve of 1,464.42 feet radius bearing to the right 244.51 feet to a stone bound at sta. 52 + 99.88; thence on a curve of 748.79 feet radius bearing to the left 393.26 feet to a stone bound at sta. 56 + 93.14; thence on a curve of 521.44 feet radius bearing to the right 418.41 feet to a stone bound at sta. 61 + 11.15; thence N  $86^{\circ} 10' 30''$  E 448.07 feet to a point at sta. 65 + 59.62; thence on a curve of 1,521.38 feet radius bearing to the left 196.49 feet to a stone bound at sta. 67 + 56.11; thence N  $78^{\circ} 46' 30''$  E 254.45 feet to a stone bound at sta. 70 + 10.56; thence northerly  $78^{\circ} 4'$  E 413.8 feet to a stone bound at sta. 74 + 24.36; thence N  $81^{\circ} 54'$  E 331.4 feet to a stone bound at sta. 77 + 55.76; thence S  $77^{\circ} 2'$  E bearing to the left 18.93 feet to a stone bound near the westerly line of the road to Dunstable.

The southerly line beginning at a stone bound opposite to and 50 feet distant from the stone bound marking the beginning of the above described northerly line; thence parallel to and 50 feet distant from said northerly line to a stone bound opposite to and 50 feet distant from a point of sta. 76 + 96.46 in said northerly line. Thence on a curve of 268.92 feet radius bearing to the right 98.88 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $77^{\circ} 2'$  E 326 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $70^{\circ} 56' 30''$  E 86.55 feet to a stone bound; thence



on a curve 227.37 feet radius bearing to the right 124.31 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 469.44 feet radius bearing to the right 109.99 feet to a stone bound; thence S 26° 11' 30" E 128.95 feet to a stone bound at the termination of the westerly line of the "turnpike" as laid out by the County Commissioners in 1896.

The above courses are reckoned from the magnetic meridian and the description is intended to conform to a plan of said road dated 1898 signed by F. H. Kendall, Engineer, and on which the above described lines are shown in red.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of said town of Chelmsford shall on or before the first day of July, which will be in the year 1900, lay open, construct and complete said road, between said Main Street and the road leading to West Chelmsford so that at least 21 feet, exclusive of gutters at the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with customary loads. On the portion between the West Chelmsford Road and the Westford line 16 feet should be suitable for travel. As far as practicable, the center of the travelled way shall be the center of the location. The roadway shall be suitable crowned, drained and graded and the surface thereof shall consist of gravel or other material which shall present a hard smooth surface free from inequalities. Walls and fences marking the old lines of the road shall be removed from within the new lines of the street as above established. Where excavations or embankments are necessary, the banks shall be properly sloped and retaining walls built to sustain said banks. At Leach's Pond the filling shall be properly protected by rip-rapping to a sufficient height above high water mark and the construction of the work at this point shall be subject to the consent of the Harbor and Land Commissioners. The whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of the County Commissioners.

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And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of May next to remove therefrom any wood, timber, trees or other property. And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves, or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway, have estimated the same as follows:

Ellen B. Wotton \$100; Mrs. Mary Howard \$6.50; Edward A. Durant \$60.

And the said Commissioners further order and determine that the sum of \$500 is a fair and just proportion of the expenses of said alterations to be paid by the County. And said sum shall be paid out of the County treasury into the town treasury of Chelmsford whenever the Selectmen of said town shall present a certificate certifying that all claims by reason of said alterations have been settled and said street shall be completed to the acceptance of said Commissioners. And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the said town of Chelmsford shall pay all costs, damages and expenses (if any) not included in the above award that any party may by legal process obtain in consequence of said relocation and alterations throughout the whole of said highway as hereby widened, straightened, altered and established. And the said Commissioners further order that the highway described in said return be and the same is hereby established as and for a public highway, and that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such.

And the said Commissioners further order that the said several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises be paid to them respectively out of the town treasury when they shall present to the town treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in

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which the land lies, that the land over which said highway is located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this 29th day of December in the year of our Lord 1898.

Levi S. Gould  
Samuel C. Upham  
Francis Bigelow

A true copy of record, attest: Ralph N. Smith, Assistant Clerk.

Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 223-229).



We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land taken to widen and straighten the town way leading to East Chelmsford from its junction with the road from Chelmsford to North Billerica, near River Meadowbrook, and no objection having been made, have laid out said town way and the northerly line is described as follows, viz:

Beginning at a stake at or near the easterly line of the road leading from Chelmsford Center to North Billerica, said stake being distant about 50 feet southerly from the south bank of River Meadow Brook; thence easterly by a curve to the left of a radius of 100 feet along land of Julia E. Warren 110 51/100 feet to a stake; thence north  $74^{\circ} 25'$  E 52 62/100 feet to a stake; thence by a curve to the right of the radius of 190 feet, 94 51/100 feet to a stake; thence S  $77^{\circ} 05'$  E 170 67/100 feet to a stake; thence by a curve to the left of a radius 204 63/100 feet, 180 30/100 feet to a stake; thence N  $52^{\circ} 26'$  E 156 88/100 feet to a stake; thence by a curve to the right of a radius of 608 39/100 feet, 298 91/100 feet to a stake; thence N  $80^{\circ} 35'$  E 399 78/100 feet to a stake; thence by a curve to the right of a radius of 1,419 92/100 feet, 206 93/100 feet to a stake; thence N  $88^{\circ} 56'$  E 249 79/100 feet to a stake. All of the above lines and distances being along land of Julia E. Warren. Thence by a curve to the left with a radius of 230 43/100 feet and continuing along land supposed to belong to George A. Byam 186 34/100 feet to a stake; thence N  $42^{\circ} 36'$  E along said Byam land and land of Joseph H. Thurston, crossing Orleans Street and along land of Lucy A. Hanver 520 8/100 feet to a stake; thence by a curve to the right of radius 288 11/100 feet and continuing along said Hanver land 175 83/100 feet to a stake; thence N  $77^{\circ} 34'$  E continuing along said Hanver land 127 30/100 feet to a stake;

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thence by a curve to the left of radius 434 53/100 feet continuing along said Hanver land 89 36/100 feet to a stake; thence N 65° 47' E by said Hanver land 85 25/100 feet to a stake at land of L. D. Carter.

The southerly line of the above named road is described as follows:

Beginning at a stake at or near the easterly line of the road leading from Chelmsford Centre to North Billerica at land of the town of Chelmsford; thence northeasterly by a curve of radius of 20 46/100 feet, 37 12/100 feet to a stake; thence easterly by a curve of radius of 140 feet 125 59/100 feet along said land of the town of Chelmsford to a stake at a point 50 feet southerly from the easterly end of the second curve above described in the northerly line of the road; thence the line continues easterly, parallel with the northerly line above described and distant 50 feet southerly therefrom along land of the town of Chelmsford, land of Arthur M. Warren, land now or formerly of Harry C. Green, land of Gussie M. Stewart, land of Mary H. Howard and Nellie A. Leighton and land of Alfred Johnson to land owned by Mrs. Susan McFarlan. Said lines are delineated on a "Plan of Part of the Road leading from Chelmsford Centre to East Chelmsford, Chelmsford, Mass., Scale 40 feet to an inch, 1899, Smith & Brooks, Civil Engineers, Lowell, Mass." which plan is filed with the records of the town of Chelmsford, Mass. The owners of land taken to widen said way to be allowed until November 1st to remove all fences and trees within said line limits.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way as altered to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Arthur H. Sheldon  
Joseph A. Parkhurst  
Walter R. Winning - Selectmen

Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk  
September 11, 1899: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

(Original book pages 230-232).



We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land taken to widen and straighten the town way leading from Chelmsford Centre to North Billerica, and no objection having been made, have laid out said town way and the northerly line of the road is described as follows, viz:

Beginning at the easterly bank of River Meadow Brook, thence S  $42^{\circ} 16'$  E crossing the end of the East Chelmsford road about 192 feet to an angle; thence S  $52^{\circ} 17'$  E along the land of the town of Chelmsford 333  $\frac{47}{100}$  feet to a stake; thence by a curve to the right of a radius of 250 feet, 44.00 feet to a stake; thence S  $42^{\circ} 12'$  E 131.75 feet to a stake; thence by a curve to the left of a radius of 245.13 feet 129.77 feet to a stake; thence S  $72^{\circ} 32'$  E 655.97 feet to a stake; thence S  $78^{\circ} 46'$  E 377.39 feet to a stake at the boundary line of land of the town of Chelmsford and land now or formerly of Jabez Stevens. The southerly line as above.

The southerly line of the road is parallel to the above described line and distant 50 feet therefrom extending along land of James Emerson, Alva H. Jones and Michael O'Day. Said lines are delineated on a "Plan of part of the road leading from Chelmsford Centre to North Billerica, Chelmsford, Mass., scale 40 feet to an inch, 1899, Smith & Brooks, Civil Engineers, Lowell, Mass." which plan is filed with the records of the town of Chelmsford, Mass. The owners of land taken to widen said way to be allowed until November 1 of the present year to remove all fences and trees within said limits. And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way as altered to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Arthur H. Sheldon  
Joseph A. Parkhurst  
Walter R. Winning - Selectmen

September 11, 1899: In Town Meeting read and accepted.  
Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 232-233).



We, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out such way as follows:

Beginning at a stone bound at the intersection of the westerly line of Main Street with the southerly line of Highland Avenue; thence S  $43^{\circ} 50'$  W 131.50 feet by land of Patrick McManomin to a stone bound; thence S  $38^{\circ} 2'$  W by land of Patrick McManomin, John Monahan and one Duffy 249.53 feet to a rail in the fence; thence S  $31^{\circ} 35'$  W by land of Duffy and Whittemore 182.73 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $33^{\circ} 17'$  W by land of Larkin, Maguire, McGrath and Tole 324.09 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the left of a radius of 410.77 feet by land of Tole, Welch and McEnally 110.41 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right of a radius of 408.67 feet by land of J. H. McEnally 128.39 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $35^{\circ} 53'$  W by land of J. H. McEnally 72.80 feet to a stone bound at the Middlesex Turnpike, now a state road.

The northerly line of the avenue is thus bounded and described viz: Beginning at a stone bound in the westerly line of Main Street, which bound is  $46\frac{1}{2}$  feet northerly from the stone bound at the point of beginning of the southerly line of Highland Avenue above described; thence S  $40^{\circ} 59'$  W 229 feet by land of Monahan to a stone bound; thence S  $49^{\circ} 13'$  E 11.40 feet to a stone bound which bound is 33 feet from the southerly line of Highland Avenue; thence southwesterly the line runs parallel with the southerly line of Highland Avenue as above described and 33 feet distant therefrom.

The above described avenue is shown on a Plan of Highland Avenue, North Chelmsford, Mass., scale 40 feet to an inch, Smith & Brooks, Civil Engineers, dated May, 1899, the land being given and street graded and to be named "Highland Avenue."

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And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Arthur H. Sheldon  
Walter R. Winning - Selectmen

September 11, 1899: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 234-235).



and continuing by land of Frederic A. Butters to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 1,604  $\frac{35}{100}$  feet, 199  $\frac{74}{100}$  feet by land of said Butters to a stone bound; thence S  $1^{\circ} 51'$  W 524  $\frac{44}{100}$  feet by land of said Butters and land of said James F. Stearns to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 707  $\frac{06}{100}$  feet, 198  $\frac{68}{100}$  feet along land of said Stearns to a stone bound; thence S  $17^{\circ} 7'$  W 691  $\frac{47}{100}$  feet by said Stearns land, land of the Town of Chelmsford and land now or formerly of J. M. Fletcher crossing Golden Cove Brook to a stone bound at the county road leading from Lowell to Chelmsford.

The easterly line of said street is as follows, viz: Beginning at a stone bound at the boundary line between Lowell and Chelmsford, which stone bound is on the easterly side and at the southerly terminus of Steadman Street as laid out by the city of Lowell; thence S  $6^{\circ} 2'$  W 491  $\frac{84}{100}$  feet to a stone bound and continuing southerly parallel to the westerly line above described and distant therefrom 50 feet until it curves to a point at a stone bound about 50 feet northerly from said county road leading from Lowell to Chelmsford; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 14  $\frac{94}{100}$  feet, 41  $\frac{06}{100}$  feet to a stone bound at said county road. Said lines are shown on a plan of Steadman Street in Chelmsford, Mass., extending from the Lowell city line to Golden Cove Brook at the county road leading from Lowell to Chelmsford Centre. Scale 40 feet to an inch. September, 1899. Smith & Brooks, Civil Engineers, which plan is filed with the records of the Town of Chelmsford, Mass. The owners of land taken to widen said way giving all land necessary for the purpose.

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We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land taken to widen and straighten the town way known as Stedman Street, extending southerly from the boundary line between Lowell and Chelmsford to the County road leading from Lowell to Chelmsford Centre, and no objection having been made, have laid out said town way and the westerly line of the street is described as follows:

Beginning at a stone bound at the boundary line between Lowell and Chelmsford, which stone bound is on the westerly side and at the southerly terminus of Stedman Street as laid out by the city of Lowell; thence S  $2^{\circ} 19'$  W 38 10/100 feet by land of Mrs. Samuel Tyler to a stone bound; thence S  $6^{\circ} 2'$  W 490 23/100 feet continuing by land of Mrs. Samuel Tyler and land supposed of Googins and land of Michael Roarke to a stone bound; thence bearing to the left by a curve having a radius of 366 84/100 feet, 224 31/100 feet along land of Roarke and land of George W. McIntire to a stone bound; thence S  $29^{\circ} E$  449 57/100 feet along land of said McIntire crossing Black Brook and by land of George E. Spaulding to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 525 22/100 feet, 217 87/100 feet and continuing along land of said Spaulding to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 1,274 80/100, 192 09/100 feet continuing along land of said Spaulding to a stone bound; thence S  $44^{\circ} 8'$  E 645 10/100 feet continuing along land of said Spaulding, crossing Smith Street, so called, and by land of John Alton, and other land of said George E. Spaulding till it comes to a stone bound; thence S  $3^{\circ} 33'$  E 880 61/100 feet along land of said Spaulding, land of Thomas Burns, land of Albert C. Williams and land supposed to be of Joseph Lemire to a stone bound; thence S  $5^{\circ} 17'$  E 1,752 62/100 feet by land supposed of Lemire, estate of Samuel Putney, George Perry, James F. Stearns, crossing the old road\*



And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way as relocated to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Arthur H. Sheldon  
Walter R. Winning - Selectmen

Filed in the Town Clerk's office March 13, 1900.  
Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

March 26, 1900: In Town Meeting read and accepted.  
Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

NOTE: Both spellings, Stedman and Steadman, are used in the description. In 1926 the name was voted by the town as STEADMAN, the way the family of that name spelled it.

(Original book pages 236-238).



We, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land taken to widen and straighten the town way extending from Stedman Street westerly to the road leading from Middlesex Village to the road from Chelmsford Centre to North Chelmsford, and no objection having been made, have laid out said town way, and the southerly line of the street is described as follows, viz:

Beginning at a stone bound on the westerly line of said Stedman Street as surveyed; thence S  $78^{\circ} 43'$  W 444 07/100 feet along land of John Alton and Frederick J. Thorpe to a stone bound at Thorpe Avenue, so called; thence S  $86^{\circ} 25'$  W, 239 74/100 feet crossing Thorpe Avenue and along land of George E. Spalding and land of John T. Smith to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 209 73/100 feet, 186 62/100 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $42^{\circ} 36'$  W 138 99/100 feet along land of the heirs of the late H. K. Ferrin to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 121 28/100 feet continuing by said Ferrin's land crossing the brook and by land of Moses Brosseaus 134 34/100 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 307 19/100 feet along said Brosseau's land and land of A. M. Bertrand 277 46/100 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 833 67/100 feet along land of said Bertrand, land of J. S. Henderson and land of John Lynch, 296 83/100 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $74^{\circ} 43'$  W 269 33/100 feet along said Lynch land and land of George W. Downs, to a stone bound; thence N  $84^{\circ} 20'$  W 475 21/100 feet continuing by said Down's land and land of J. R. Parkhurst to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 452 32/100 feet, 196 84/100 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $59^{\circ} 24'$  W 108 07/100 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 287 56/100 feet, 192 47/100 feet to a

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stone bound; thence S 82° 15' W 177 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 352 42/100 feet, 99 34/100 feet to a stone bound; thence S 66° 06' W 143 11/100 feet to a stone bound at the north-westerly corner of said J. R. Parkhurst's land. (The last six described lines are along land of said J. R. Parkhurst); thence S 47° 37' W 181 97/100 feet by land of one Clements to a stone bound; thence continuing by said Clement's land S 55° 25' W 130 90/100 feet to the road \* leading from Middlesex Village to Chelmsford Centre.

The northerly line of Smith Avenue is 40 feet distant northerly from the above described southerly line and parallel thereto extending from said Stedman Street to a stone bound opposite the westerly end of the last above described curve in the southerly line thereof; thence the northerly line of Smith Avenue extends S 66° 06' W along land of J. M. Butman 175 90/100 feet to a stone bound; thence N 22° 40' W by said Butman land 45 76/100 feet to a stone bound at said road leading from Middlesex Village to Chelmsford Centre. The line of said Smith Avenue more fully shows on a "Plan of Smith Avenue in Chelmsford, Mass., extending from Stedman Street to the road leading from Middlesex Village to Chelmsford Centre. Scale 40 feet to an inch, 1899. Smith and Brooks, Civil Engineers, Lowell, Mass.", which plan is recorded with the records of the town of Chelmsford. The owners of land taken to widen said way giving all land necessary for the purpose. And your selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way as relocated to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Arthur H. Sheldon  
Joseph A. Parkhurst  
William H. Shedd  
Walter R. Winning - Selectmen

Filed in Town Clerk's Office March 13, 1900  
March 26, 1900: In Town Meeting read and accepted.  
Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

\* Parkhurst Road



We, the Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land taken to widen and straighten the town way from the Groton Road to the Westford line in West Chelmsford, have relocated said road as follows:

The westerly line of said road is described as follows: Beginning at a stone bound in the boundary line between the said Town of Chelmsford and the Town of Westford at land belonging to John J. Monahan; thence N  $63^{\circ} 51'$  E 1,085 07/100 feet to a stone bound at land of S. H. Virgin; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 290 70/100 feet, 192 63/100 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $25^{\circ} 53'$  E 245 04/100 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 1,115 59/100 feet, 199 58/100 feet to a stone bound at land of Mrs. Abby Perry; thence N  $36^{\circ} 8'$  E 283 06/100 feet to a stone bound at or near the boundary line between land of Frank W. Field and land of George C. Moore; thence N  $41^{\circ} 20'$  E 294 61/100 to a stone bound at land of S. H. Virgin; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 108 21/100 feet, 109 57/100 feet to a stone bound at land of George Billson; thence N  $16^{\circ} 41'$  W 494 76/100 feet to a stone bound at or near boundary line between land of one Sugden and land of one Anderson; thence N  $18^{\circ} 6'$  W 872 32/100 feet to a stone bound at land of Edward F. Parker; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 482 64/100 feet, 379 21/100 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $26^{\circ} 55'$  E 284 44/100 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 992 81/100 feet 297 74/100 feet to a stone bound at land supposed of the estate of T. J. Adams; thence N  $44^{\circ} 6'$  E 360 64/100 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 817 96/100 feet 296 70/100 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $23^{\circ} 19'$  E 179 14/100 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the right having a radius of 519 89/100 feet,

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381 85/100 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $65^{\circ} 24'$  E 285 88/100 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 785 09/100 feet, 296 42/100 feet to a stone bound; thence N  $43^{\circ} 46'$  E 1,308 86/100 feet to a stone bound; thence by a curve to the left having a radius of 32 34/100 feet, 85 66/100 feet to a stone bound at the Groton Road

The said road is to be 50 feet in width measured easterly of the above described westerly line and extending from the Westford town line to a point opposite the northerly end of the last tangent of the above described westerly line; thence the easterly line extends N  $43^{\circ} 46'$  E 214 53/100 feet to the said Groton Road. Said lines are more fully shown on a "Plan of the Town Road in West Chelmsford, Mass., leading from the Westford town line to the Groton Road, Jan. 1901, Scale 40 feet to an inch, Smith & Brooks, Civil Engineers, Lowell, Mass." which plan is filed with the records of the said town of Chelmsford.

The grade of said road is described as follows: Beginning at the southerly end of said road at the boundary line between said town of Chelmsford and the town of Westford at elevation 47.50 above datum - said datum being 50 feet below the top of the old stone bound at the easterly side of the road at the town line; thence 350 feet rising 1 50/100 feet to elevation 49.00; thence 300 feet falling one foot to elevation 48.00; thence 200 feet falling 1 60/100 feet to elevation 46.40; thence 100 feet by a vertical curve falling 1 73/100 feet to elevation 44.67; thence 50 feet falling 1 34/100 feet to elevation 43.33; thence 100 feet by a vertical curve falling 1 60/100 feet to elevation 41.73; thence 350 feet falling 1 95/100 feet to elevation 39.78; thence 100 feet by a vertical curve rising 22/100 feet to elevation 40.00; thence 350 feet rising 3 50/100 feet to elevation 43.50; thence 100 feet by a vertical curve rising 12/100 feet to elevation 43.62; thence 100 feet falling 75/100 feet



to elevation 42.87; thence 100 feet by a vertical curve falling 2 12/100 feet to elevation 40.75; thence 100 feet falling 3 50/100 feet to elevation 37.20; thence 150 feet by a vertical curve falling 1 75/100 feet to elevation 35.50; thence 50 feet level; thence 100 feet by a vertical curve rising 1 67/100 feet to elevation 37.17; thence 50 feet rising 1 66/100 feet to elevation 38.83; thence 100 feet by a vertical curve rising 2 37/100 feet to elevation 41.20; thence 200 feet rising 2 80/100 feet to elevation 44.00; thence 300 feet rising 86/100 feet to elevation 44.86; thence 100 feet by a vertical curve rising 1.39 feet to elevation 46.25; thence 150 feet rising 3.75 to elevation 50.00; thence 700 feet rising 9.00 feet to elevation 59.00; thence 200 feet falling 80/100 feet to elevation 58.20; thence 100 feet by a vertical curve falling 1 88/100 feet to elevation 56.32; thence 650 feet falling 21 74/100 feet to elevation 34.38; thence 200 feet by a vertical curve falling 2 25/100 feet to elevation 32.13; thence 700 feet rising 7 87/100 feet to elevation 40.00; thence 1,000 feet rising 3 00/100 feet to elevation 43.00; thence about 1,038 feet falling 6 00/100 feet to elevation 37.00 at the southeasterly side of the Groton Road. Said grades are shown on a "Profile of the Town Road, West Chelmsford, leading from the Westford town line to the Groton Road, Feb. 1901, Smith and Brooks, Civil Engineers, Lowell, Mass.", recorded with the records of the said town of Chelmsford. And your selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way as relocated to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Fred L. Fletcher  
Walter R. Winning  
R. Wilson Dix - Selectmen

Chelmsford, Mass. Filed in Town Clerk's office March 13, 1901.  
March 25, 1901: In Town Meeting accepted.  
Attest and Recorded by George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 242-245).



Relocation of Road from Centre Village to Carlisle Line (Partial Return)  
(Boston Road to Concord Road)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Cambridge, within and for the said County, on the first Tuesday of June in the year of our Lord 1901. The inhabitants of Chelmsford in said County, by their petition to said Commissioners, among other matters pray that the Concord and Carlisle Road from Chelmsford Center to the Carlisle line be re-located as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case. The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Lowell, within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of September, AD 1900, when and where said Commissioners continued caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties as by the notice on file and of record will more fully appear. And at an adjourned meeting said relocating was adjudged to be of common convenience and necessity and thence said petition has been continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners make partial return of their proceedings in the premises as follows:

The said Commissioners having given notice as the law directs met at the town hall in said Chelmsford, on the 8th day of April in the year 1901, when and where the parties appeared, to wit: the petitioner by Joseph E. Warren and others and the respondent by Gerald P. Dadman and others. And the premises having been examined and all parties fully heard, said Commissioners proceeded to relocate said highway, and the following description is a true description of said highway as here by laid out and ordered from Chelmsford Centre to near the premises of Willard Parker, where the road to Bedford branches from the Concord Road.

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The easterly line beginning at a point at the northerly line of the premises of Girard P. Dadman at a wall, said point being about 3.70 feet easterly of the old line and as shown by a plan to which reference is made hereinafter; thence from said point S  $1^{\circ} 08'$  E 1,058.4 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 710.60 feet radius bearing to the left 149.45 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $13^{\circ} 11.2'$  E 174.75 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve 923.50 feet radius bearing to the right 316.87 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $6^{\circ} 25'$  W 76.79 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 896.63 feet radius bearing to the right 86.59 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $11^{\circ} 57.2'$  W 361.69 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 846.27 feet radius bearing to the left 340.55 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 353.56 feet bearing to the left 158.07 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $36^{\circ} 42.2'$  E 292.28 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 1,211.80 feet radius bearing to the right 254.33 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $24^{\circ} 41'$  E 164.93 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 3,605.05 feet radius bearing to the right 201.33 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $21^{\circ} 29.2'$  E 407.94 (1467.94?) feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 1,016.52 feet radius bearing to the right 332.66 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $2^{\circ} 44.2'$  E 675.46 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 395.04 feet radius bearing to the left 148.24 feet to a stone bound.

The westerly line beginning at a stone bound distant S  $32^{\circ} 03.2'$  W 91.3 feet from the point of beginning of the above described easterly line is thence parallel to said easterly line and 50 feet distant therefrom for a distance of 882.2 feet; thence on a curve of 34.25 feet radius bearing to the right 54.55 feet to a point; thence on a curve of 50.56 feet radius bearing to the left 38.09 feet to a point; then beginning again at a stone bound distant



S  $0^{\circ} 39.2'$  W 69.4 feet from said last mentioned point; thence from said stone bound S  $26^{\circ} 05'$  E 105.75 feet to a stone bound; thence on a curve of 442.56 feet radius bearing to the right 99.56 feet to a stone bound; thence S  $13^{\circ} 11.2'$  E 57.22 feet to a point; thence parallel to said easterly line and 50 feet distant therefrom to a point opposite the stone bound in said easterly line marking the beginning of the last curve of said easterly line; thence from said point S  $2^{\circ} 44.2'$  E 193.32 feet to a point; thence on a curve of 950.01 feet radius bearing to the right 194.22 feet to a point.

The above courses are reckoned from the magnetic meridian and the description is intended to conform to a plan signed by P. H. Kendall, County Engineer. On said plan the above described lines are shown in red.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the said town of Chelmsford shall on or before the first day of November, which will be in the year 1902, lay open, construct, and complete said highway so that 28 feet in width thereof throughout the whole, exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with customary loads. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows:

All obstructions shall be removed from every part of the same to the width aforesaid; and the centre shall be 12 inches higher than the sides by a circular curved surface. Drains, sluices and bridges of proper construction shall be made at all places necessary for conducting and carrying away the water, and the roadway shall be surfaced with gravel or other material which shall be rolled (\*) and compacted so as to present a hard smooth surface

(\*) Steam roller first indicated.



free from inequalities. The grade of said roadway shall be in accordance with a profile satisfactory to the Commissioners. Guard rails of substantial construction shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places. All walls and fences serving to mark old lines shall be removed from within the location and the whole done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of the Commissioners.

And the proprietors, or occupants of the land, over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of October next to remove therefrom any wood, timber, trees or other property. And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands, by themselves or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway, have estimated the same as follows, to wit:

The Dadman estate \$50; J. Adams Bartlett \$20; Mrs. Mary E. Hardy \$18; Estate of S. P. Perham \$15; Mrs. E. K. Parkhurst \$20; Elbridge Smith \$40; George H. Tryder, \$100; Estate of Albion J. Lamphere \$150; William H. Hoyt \$30; Eben R. Marshall, \$75; Willard Parker \$100.

And the said Commissioners further order and determine that the sum of \$500 is a fair and just proportion of the expenses of said alterations to be paid by the County, and said sum shall be paid out of the County treasury into the town treasury of Chelmsford whenever the Selectmen of said town shall present a certificate certifying that all claims by reason of said alterations have been settled and said street shall be completed to the acceptance of said Commissioners. And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the said town of Chelmsford shall pay all damages, costs and expenses (if any) not included in the above award, that any party may by legal process obtain



in consequence of said relocation and alteration throughout the whole of said highway as hereby widened, straightened, altered and established; that the highway described in said return be, and the same is hereby established as and for a public highway and that the same be recorded to the end that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such; that the several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises be paid to them respectively out of the town treasury when they shall present to the town Treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the land lies that the land over which the said highway is located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this 31st day of August in the year of our Lord 1901.

Levi S. Gould  
Samuel O. Upham  
Francis Bigelow

A true copy of Record, Ralph N. Smith, Assistant Clerk.

Chelmsford Mass.: Received and recorded September 4, 1901.  
George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 246-251).



We, the Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way known as Evergreen Street in Westlands, so called, at Centre Village, have laid out said as follows:

The easterly line of said street is described as follows, viz: Beginning at a point in the northerly line of the County road leading from Chelmsford to Lowell, which point is 27 07/100 feet westerly from a stone bound in the line of said County road; thence northerly about 1,103 43/100 feet as shown on a plan of "Building Lots at the Westlands, Chelmsford, Mass." belonging to Henry S. Perham, surveyed April, 1896, Smith & Brooks, Civil Engineers" to the southerly side of a passageway leading to land of Thomas Mooney. Said Evergreen Street is to be 40 feet in width and on the westerly side of the above described line.

The grade of said Evergreen Street is described as follows: Beginning at the northerly line of the said County road at elevation 100; said elevation is referred to a datum plane 100 feet below the top of a stone bound at the west corner of Evergreen Street and said County Road; and all subsequent elevations in this description are referred to the same datum plane; thence 150 feet falling 9.0 feet to elevation 91.0; thence by a vertical curve 200 feet to elevation 87.28; thence 100 feet rising 2.29 feet to elevation 89.57; thence by a vertical curve 300 feet to elevation 90.00; thence 352 feet falling 7.04 to elevation 82.96; The lines and grades of said street are shown on a Plan and Profile of Evergreen Street, Chelmsford, Mass., surveyed November 11, 1901, Smith and Brooks, Civil Engineers" which plan and profile are filed with the records of the town of Chelmsford.

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And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Fred L. Fletcher  
R. Wilson Dix  
A. Heady Park - Selectmen

Chelmsford, March 24, 1902: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 252-253).



Town Way Known as AMHERST STREET

March 12, 1902

We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way known as Amherst Street in North Chelmsford, have laid out said way as follows:

Said street running southerly from Middlesex Street to Princeton Street, 467 75/100 feet long and 40 feet wide as per bounds.

We hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Fred L. Fletcher  
R. Wilson Dix  
P. T. McMahon  
A. Heady Park - Selectmen

March 24, 1902: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 253).



We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way known as Adams Street, have laid out said way as follows:

The easterly line of said street is described as follows: Beginning at the southerly line of the Groton Road at a point distant 71.82/100 feet easterly from a stone bound in the southerly line of said Groton Road; thence southerly at an angle of  $81^{\circ} 30'$  with said southerly line of Groton Road, S  $27^{\circ} 33'$  W 387 64/100 feet to a stone bound at an angle in said easterly line; thence S  $52^{\circ} 4'$  W 195 03/100 feet to the northerly line of Canal Street; there making an angle with said northerly line of  $89^{\circ} 32'$ . Said street is to be on the westerly side of the above described lines and 40 feet in width, extending from Canal Street to the end of the first described line and gradually increases from 40 feet in width at the end of the first described line to Canal Street where it measures 50 feet in width. The grade of said Adams Street is established as follows:

Beginning at the southerly line of said Groton Road at elevation 50.00, which elevation is level with the top of the above mentioned stone bound in the line of said Groton Road; thence 250 feet rising 7.0 feet to elevation 57.0; thence 323 feet rising 17.0 feet to the northerly line of Canal Street at elevation 74.0. The lines and grades of said Adams Street are shown on a "Plan and Profile of Adams Street, North Chelmsford, Mass., December, 1901, Smith and Brooks, Civil Engineers", which plan and profile are on file with the records for the town of Chelmsford.

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And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Fred L. Fletcher  
P. T. McMahon  
A. Heady Park - Selectmen

March 24, 1902: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 254-255).



March 12, 1902

We, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way known as York Avenue situated on Homestead land in Centre Village, have laid out said Town way as follows:

Running easterly from Third Street with a length of 250 feet and width of 30 feet as per bounds.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said Town way to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Fred L. Fletcher  
R. Wilson Dix  
P. J. McMahon  
A. Heady Park - Selectmen

March 24, 1902: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Attest: George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 255).



March 12, 1902

We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way known as a Continuation of Washington Street, have laid out said continuation as follows:

165 feet long and 40 feet wide as per bounds.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Fred L. Fletcher  
P. T. McMahon  
R. Wilson Dix - Selectmen

March 24, 1902: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 256).



March 12, 1902

We, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way known as Ripley Street, have laid out said street as follows:

Running easterly from Washington Street with a length of 165 feet and a width of 40 feet as per bounds.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Fred L. Fletcher  
P. T. McMahon  
R. Wilson Dix - Selectmen

March 24, 1902: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book page 256).



March 11, 1903

We, the Selectmen of the Town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out such town way as follows:

Running from Sherman Street, so called, to Canal Street. Length about 365 62/100 feet, width 50 feet. Name: Adams Street.

Joseph E. Warren  
Fred L. Fletcher  
P. T. McMahon  
A. Heady Park  
R. Wilson Dix - Selectmen

Filed in the Town Clerk's Office March 11, 1903.

March 23, 1903: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 257).



March 11, 1903

We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out such town way as follows:

Running from Sherman Street, so called, to Canal Street. Length 316  $\frac{34}{100}$  feet; width 50 feet. Name: Mansur Street

And we hereby report said way to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Fred L. Fletcher  
P. T. McMahon  
A. Heady Park  
R. Wilson Dix - Selectmen

March 23, 1903: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk

(Original book page 257).



March 11, 1903

We, the Selectmen of the town of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way have laid out such town way as follows, to wit:

Running from Washington Street to Adams Street, so called. Width 40 feet. Length 710 84/100 feet. Name: Sherman Street.

And we hereby report said way to the town for its acceptance.

Joseph E. Warren  
Fred L. Fletcher  
P. T. McMahon  
A. Heady Park  
R. Wilson Dix - Selectmen

In Town Meeting read and accepted provided certain difficulties are removed to the acceptance of the Selectmen.

George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 258).



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss: At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, holden at Cambridge, within and for said County on the first Tuesday of January in the year of our Lord 1903:

The inhabitants of Chelmsford in said County by their petition to said Commissioners, among other matters pray that Chelmsford Street from near the house of W. A. Cheney to the track of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company may be relocated as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case. The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of January AD 1903, when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties as by the notice on file and of record will more fully appear. And at an adjourned meeting said relocation was adjudged to be of common convenience and necessity and thence said petition has been continued to this time.

And now said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows: Said Commissioners having given notice as the law directs met at the Town Hall in said Chelmsford on the 6th day of April in the year of our Lord 1903 when and where the parties appeared, and no person appeared to object. And the premises having been examined and all parties fully heard said Commissioners proceeded to relocate said highway in accordance with the provisions of Section 12 of Chapter 48 of the Revised Laws, and the following is a true description of said highway as hereby relocated:

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The new southeasterly line of said highway begins at a point in the present southeasterly line which said point being opposite to and 60 feet distant from a stone bound in the northwesterly line which marks the terminus of a course bearing S 61° 36' W, 1,135.45 as located by said Commissioners in the year 1893; thence from said point said new southeasterly line is parallel to said northwesterly line and 60 feet distant therefrom to the northerly location line of the Old Colony railroad, the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad lessee. And said highway is hereby relocated to a width of 60 feet, as above described and in accordance with a plan signed by F. H. Kendall, County Engineer, on which said new southeasterly line appears in red.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the said town of Chelmsford shall, on or before the first day of January, which will be in the year 1904, lay open, construct and complete said highway so that all walls and fences shall be removed from within the new lines of street. And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said highway is thus laid out are allowed until the first day of June, next, to remove therefrom any wood, timber, trees or other property. And the said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves, or their agents, on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said highway, have estimated the same as follows, to wit:

C. B. Cole and Son, for damage to building on land leased of James P. Emerson	\$100.		
James P. Emerson	\$200	George A. Coburn	\$ 18
William P. Spaulding	\$ 37	Mrs. Lucia Putney	\$ 31
Estate of Lewis M. Dutton	\$ 18	William Scoble	\$ 92
William H. Fuller	\$ 40	William Bass	\$ 20
Edward B. Conant	\$ 66	James Lombard	\$ 18
Mrs. Nettie Whitmore	\$ 10		
		TOTAL	\$650

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And said Commissioners further order and determine that the sum of \$350 is a fair and just proportion of the expenses of said alterations to be paid by the County and said sum shall be paid out of the County treasury into the town treasury of Chelmsford whenever the Selectmen of said town shall present a certificate certifying that all claims by reason of said alterations have been settled and said street shall be completed to the acceptance of said Commissioners. And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the said town of Chelmsford shall pay all damages, costs and expenses, if any, not included in the above award that any party may by legal process obtain in consequence of such relocation throughout the whole of said highway as hereby relocated; that the highway described in said return be, and the same is hereby established as and for a public highway, and that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such; that the several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises be paid to them respectively out of the town treasury, when they shall present to the town treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the land lies, that the land over which said highway is relocated has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

In witness whereof, we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this 18th day of April in the year of our Lord 1903.

Levi S. Gould  
Samuel O. Upham  
Francis Bigelow

A true copy of record, attest: Ralph N. Smith, Assistant Clerk.

April 22, 1903: Received and recorded. George A. Parkhurst, Town Clerk.

(Original book pages 259-262).



At the Regular Annual Town Meeting Held March 28, 1904, the Following Report of the Committee on Naming Streets was Read and Accepted.

(Notes in parenthesis indicate locations as of 1/1/69)

Chelmsford Centre

Chelmsford Street:	From the Centre, at junction of Billerica Road, to Lowell line at Chelmsford Street in Lowell.
Center Street:	From the Centre at Town Hall to and through North Chelmsford to Middlesex Road at Common. (Now called North Road).
Westford Road:	From railroad tracks (N.Y. N.H. & H RR) running between the Common and Unitarian Church through former School District 7, past the house of Fred L. Fletcher to Westford line. (Lower part now called Westford Street, joining Old Westford Road for remainder of way to Westford line).
Littleton Road:	From railroad track running toward Littleton to Westford line at Tadmuck Swamp.
Acton Road:	From the Centre at junction of Boston Road to South Chelmsford and beyond toward Acton to Westford line.
Boston Road:	From the Centre at junction of Billerica Road running due south by the Hazen place (#203 Boston Road) to Billerica line.
Billerica Road:	From the Center at Parkhurst's store (Eriksen's General Store) by the Town Farm (110 Billerica Road) to the Billerica line.
Crosby Place:	From Center Street (North Road) at North Square to house of Miss Abby F. Crosby (#14 Crosby Lane).
Fletcher Street:	From Center Street (North Road) near J. M. Fletcher's house (St. Mary's Church) to Chelmsford Street at railroad crossing.
Worthen Street:	From Westford Road (Street), at Westford Square (Perham Square) to Center Street (North Road) at North Square.
Bridge Street:	From Westford Road (Street) near Baptist Church by house of T. A. Harmon (#45 Bridge Street).
Dalton Road:	From Westford Road (Street) near house of D. C. Perham (#76 Westford Street) by house of James F. Stearns (27 Steadman Street) to Chelmsford Street at Westlands.

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Concord Road: From Boston Road at Farley's Brook to Carlisle line.  
(Junction of Boston and Concord Roads)

Mill Road: From Boston Road passing School House (opposite  
#10 Mill Road) and Saw Mill (#99 Mill Road) to  
Billerica Road (near #271 Mill Road).

Bartlett Street: From Acton Road by Warren's Grove (#62 Bartlett Street)  
to Acton Road.

High Street: From Bartlett Street crossing Acton Road, north side  
of Robin's Hill by house of John Byam to road at  
Beaver Brook (Hunt Road).

Adams Street: From Bartlett Street by Adams Library to Boston Road.

Robin's Hill Road: From High Street over Robin's Hill, crossing Locust  
Road to Acton Road at South Chelmsford.

Warren Avenue: From Boston Road through Homestead lands.

Putnam Avenue: From Boston Road to and along the south line of  
Homestead lots.

On Homestead  
21-22-23 Cross Streets: First, Second and Third Streets.

River Neck Road: Billerica Road near River Meadow Brook to East  
Chelmsford, passing old schoolhouse and terminating  
at Gorham Street.

Turnpike Road: From Billerica Road at Town Farm (110 Billerica Road)  
by Rocky Hill to Mill Road

Golden Cove Road: From Town Farm (110 Billerica Road) crossing Chelmsford  
Street at Golden Cove by Schoolhouse and crossing  
Dalton Road to Lowell line at Stedman Street.  
(after crossing Chelmsford Street now Steadman Street).

Wilson Street: From Chelmsford Street by Wilson cottages to Billerica  
Road.

Evergreen Street: From Chelmsford Street near junction with Dalton Road  
running northerly at Westlands.

Parkhurst Road: From Center Street (North Road) by Parkhurst green-  
houses to Lowell line.

Redshire Road: From Parkhurst Road at old Turnpike over Redshire  
Meadow to Golden Cove Road.

Lowell Road: From Westford line at Lowell Road, Westford, by house  
of late E. F. Richardson to Lowell line at junction  
of Parkhurst Road.

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South Chelmsford

Maple Road: From Acton Road at Post Office to Littleton Road at John Ward place.

Tadmuck Road: From Littleton Road at John Ward place, toward Chamberlain Corner in Westford.

Grove Road: From Maple Road past Hart Pond Cemetery to Westford line.

Procter Road: From Acton Road at Common over Procter Hill crossing Park Road to Concord Road.

Park Road: From road near house formerly of L. J. Mansfield, Jr., running southerly crossing Acton and Procter Roads to Carlisle line.

Locust Road: From High Street at house of John Byam running easterly crossing Robin's Hill Road to Acton Road near house of Alfred B. Paasche.

East Chelmsford

Gorham Street: From Gorham Street, Lowell, to Billerica line.

Carlisle Street: From Carlisle Street in Lowell by new schoolhouse to Gorham Street

Manning Place: From River Neck Road by house of William Manning to J.M.G. Parker estate.

Marshall Street: From River Neck Road to Carlisle Street near new schoolhouse.

River Neck Road: From Gorham Street towards the center of town as previously described.

Canal Road: From River Neck Road by Samuel L. Blood estate on line of old Middlesex Canal to Brick-Kiln Road at Daniel Reardon's.

Brick-Kiln Road: From Gorham Street at house of Charles Finnicks to Billerica Road (a portion being in Billerica).

West Chelmsford

Main Street: From Westford Corner toward North Chelmsford to Groton Road.

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School Street: From Main Street crossing Stony Brook at Depot by schoolhouse to Westford Road near schoolhouse at former District 7.

High Street: From School Street near house of J. A. Parkhurst to Crooked Springs Road.

Crooked Springs Road: From School Street near house of George F. Snow towards North Chelmsford to Richardson Road.

North Chelmsford

Middlesex Street: From Lowell line to Tyngsboro line.

Newfield Street: From Groton Road to Gay Street.

Cottage Row: Middlesex Street to Center Street. (North Road)

Washington Street: From Center Street (North Road) southerly to Newfield Street.

Groton Road: From Middlesex Street to the Westford line.

Mill Street: From Middlesex Street at R.R. crossing to Center Street (North Road).

Church Street: From R.R. station crossing Middlesex Street to Center Street (North Road).

Richardson Road: From Center Street (North Road) past house of W. Dunnigan to Lowell Road near house of J. P. Daly.

Edwards Place: From Middlesex Street to Middlesex Street.

Wright Street: From Middlesex Street to Newfield Street.

Dunstable Road: From Groton Road to Tyngsboro line.

Cross Street: From Middlesex Street to Dunstable Road.

Wood Street: From Middlesex Street to Dunstable Road.

Princeton Street: From Lowell line to the intersection of Center Street (North Road).

Gay Street: From Middlesex Street crossing Center Street (North Road) to Newfield Street.

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Mount Pleasant Street: From Center Street (North Road) to Mill Street.  
Ripley Street: From Washington Street to the Canal.  
Mansur Street: From Newfield Street to a proposed street parallel  
to Newfield Street.

Signed: Henry S. Perham  
William H. Shedd  
Stewart Mackay  
George P. Mansfield  
George F. Snow                      Committee

Recorded by Edward J. Robbins, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 263-268).



March 14, 1906

We, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, having complied with requirements of the law in relation to notifying owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way known as Juniper Street, have laid out said street as follows:

Running from Dalton Road northerly to Woodbine Street, so called, about 531 feet in length, 40 feet in width.

And we hereby report the said way to the town for its acceptance.

Walter Perham  
R. Wilson Dix  
John J. Dunn  
James P. Dunnigan - Selectmen

March 26, 1906: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Edward J. Robbins, Town Clerk.

(Original book page 272).



March 14, 1906

We, the Selectmen of Chelmsford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way known as Wildwood Street, have laid out said street as follows:

Running from Dalton Road northerly to Woodbine Street, so called, about 606 feet in length and 40 feet in width.

And we hereby report this said way to the town for its acceptance.

Walter Perham  
R. Wilson Dix  
John J. Dunn  
James P. Dunigan - Selectmen

March 26, 1906: In Town Meeting read and accepted.

Edward J. Robbins, Town Clerk

(Original book page 272).



The location of said way across the location of said Railroad is altered by establishing the following described line at the southeasterly line of the way, viz:

Beginning at a point which is the intersection of the present southeasterly line of said way as established by this Board in 1903, and of the northerly line of the location of the Railroad; thence from said point southwesterly about 430 feet crossing the location of said Railroad as shown by the plan hereinafter described, to a point in the present southeasterly line of said way at the intersection of a wall and said present southeasterly line. The northwesterly line of said way remains unaltered. About 2,100 square feet is hereby taken by the above described new southeasterly line from the Railroad location. And said Commissioners determine and order that from a point opposite the beginning of said described new southeasterly line to a point 90 feet southwesterly measured along the present street, beyond the terminus of said new southeasterly line and as shown by the plan, the approaches to said crossing shall be graded to a finished surface with gravel or broken stone for a width of 24 feet as shown by the plan, and the planking at the crossing shall be extended to meet the graded approaches. All obstructions shall be removed from within the roadway width of 24 feet and the said width crowned, drained and graded, so that the full width shall be safe and convenient for public travel.

The above described alterations are intended to conform to a plan prepared under the direction of the Commissioners, entitled "Plan Showing

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Alteration of a Railroad Crossing at Chelmsford Centre, Scale 40' = 1",  
October 1905."

And said Commissioners order that said return be accepted and recorded,  
and that all the matters therein ordered be done and performed accordingly.  
In witness whereof we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our  
hands this 18th day of October in the year of our Lord 1905.

Levi S. Gould  
Samuel O. Upham  
Francis Bigelow

A true copy of record. Attest: Ralph N. Smith, Assistant Clerk.

Received and Recorded: Edward J. Robbins, Town Clerk

(Original book pages 269-271).



